FOR THOSE WHO CAME IN LATE ~
FOUR CENTURIES AGO, THE LONE SURVIVOR OF A PIRATE RAID WAS WASHED ASHORE ~

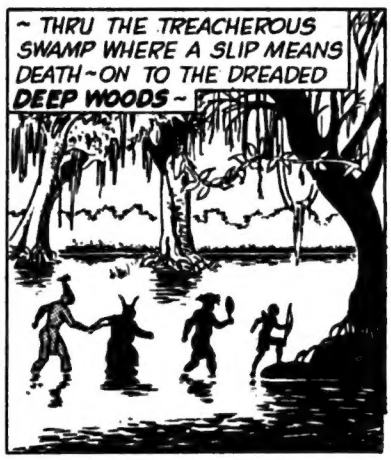
~ ON A REMOTE BENGALI BEACH. FRIENDLY PYGMIES FOUND HIM AND NURSED HIM TO HEALTH.

THE FIRST PHANTOM ~~
I SWEAR TO DEVOTE MY LIFE TO THE DESTRUCTION OF PIRACY AND EVIL ~ MY SONS SHALL FOLLOW ME.

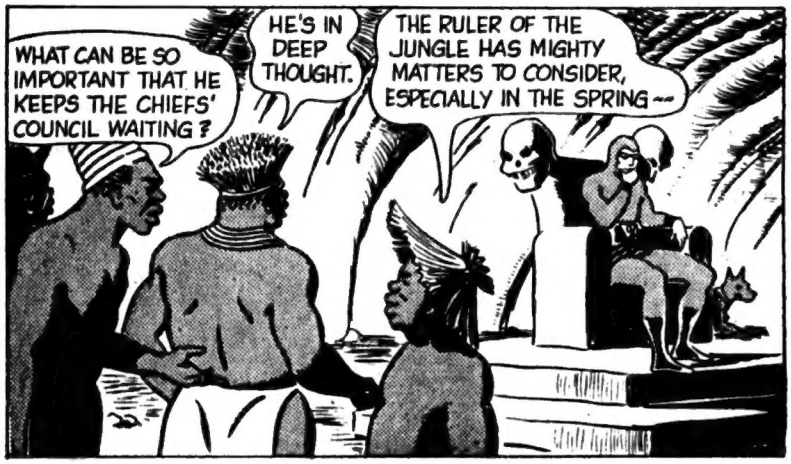
NATIVES BELIEVED HIM TO BE THE SAME MAN ~~ WHO COULD NOT DIE ~~ "THE GHOST WHO WALKS," NEMESIS OF EVIL-DOERS ~ THE PHANTOM!
WILSON McCOY 4-4

REACHING THE PHANTOM IS HARD ~ EVEN ON INVITATION! FIRST, MILES OF SAVAGE HOSTILE TRIBES ~

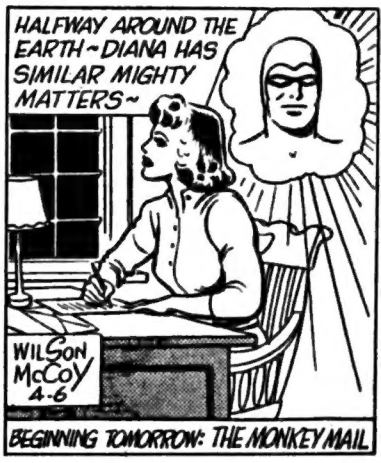
THEN, THE GREAT SWAMP WHERE A PYGMY ~ ONE OF THE DREADED POISON PEOPLE ~ WAITS TO GUIDE THEM ~
WILSON McCOY 4-5


~ THRU THE TREACHEROUS SWAMP WHERE A SLIP MEANS DEATH ~ ON TO THE DREADED DEEP WOODS ~

~ UNDER A WATERFALL ~ AT LAST ~ THE FABULOUS SKULL THRONE OF THE PHANTOM!


WHAT CAN BE SO IMPORTANT THAT HE KEEPS THE CHIEFS' COUNCIL WAITING?
HE'S IN DEEP THOUGHT.
THE RULER OF THE JUNGLE HAS MIGHTY MATTERS TO CONSIDER, ESPECIALLY IN THE SPRING ~~

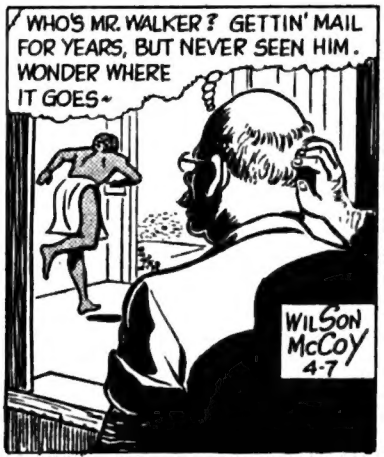
MIGHTY MATTERS INDEED!
DIANA ~~ HAVEN'T SEEN HER IN AGES.


HALFWAY AROUND THE EARTH ~ DIANA HAS SIMILAR MIGHTY MATTERS ~
WILSON McCOY 4-6
BEGINNING TOMORROW: THE MONKEY MAIL

STRANGER THAN DIANA IMAGINES!
I OFTEN WONDER HOW MY LETTERS REACH HIM ~ SOME STRANGE WAY ~~

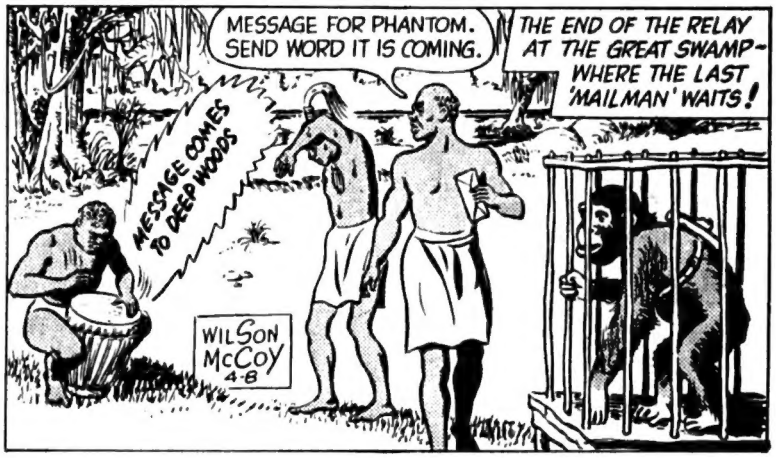
FIRST, THRU THE AIR, HALFWAY AROUND THE WORLD ~~

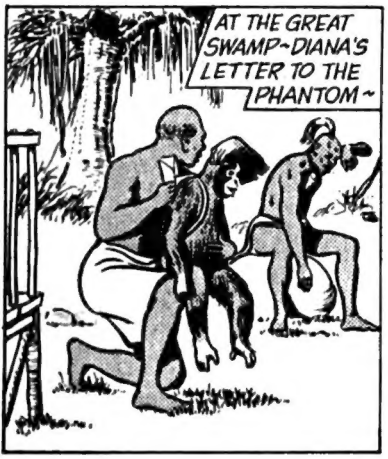
* WALKER ~ FOR 'THE GHOST WHO WALKS.'
MAIL FOR MISTER WALKER*?
YUP ~ I THINK SO ~~


WHO'S MR. WALKER? GETTIN' MAIL FOR YEARS, BUT NEVER SEEN HIM. WONDER WHERE IT GOES ~
WILSON McCOY 4-7

DIANA'S LETTER: A NATIVE RELAY RUNNER TAKES IT AT THE JUNGLE'S EDGE~

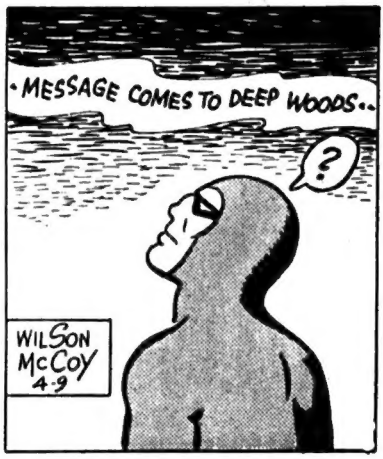
RELAY AFTER RELAY~~THEY'D TRIED HOMING PIGEONS, BUT THERE WERE TOO MANY HAWKS~~


MESSAGE FOR PHANTOM. SEND WORD IT IS COMING.
THE END OF THE RELAY AT THE GREAT SWAMP~ WHERE THE LAST 'MAILMAN' WAITS!
MESSAGE COMES TO DEEP WOODS
WILSON McCOY 4-8


AT THE GREAT SWAMP~DIANA'S LETTER TO THE PHANTOM~

THE 'MAILMAN' TAKES OFF~~

HIGH OVER THE SWAMP~~


~MESSAGE COMES TO DEEP WOODS..
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WILSON McCOY 4-9

EXCUSE ME, CHIEFS, I'M EXPECTING A LETTER.
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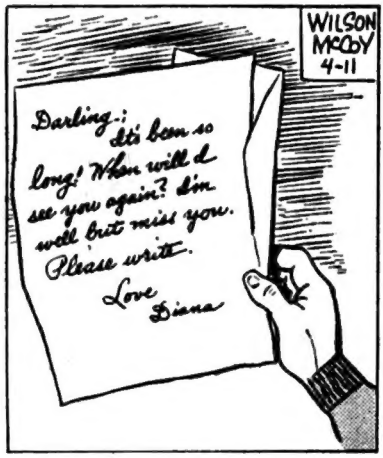
THERE HE COMES~ WITH A LETTER~I HOPE~FROM DIANA!

IT IS!


WILSON McCOY 4-11
Darling:- It's been so long! When will I see you again? I'm well but miss you. Please write. Love Diana

miss you. Please write. Love, Diana.
~ER~OH, YES~ WATER RIGHTS~
?
?

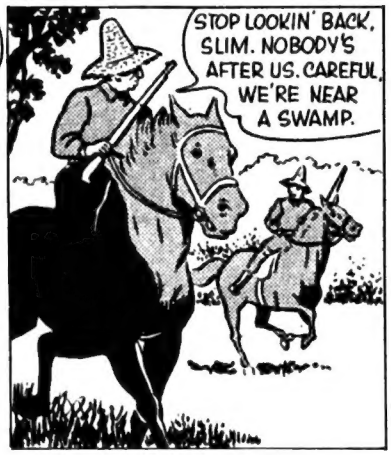
MEANWHILE, FAR AWAY IN THE DIAMOND FIELDS, WHERE SOME WORK~

~AND SOME ONLY WATCH~~

~NOT ALL JACKALS HAVE FOUR LEGS.
WILSON McCOY 4-12

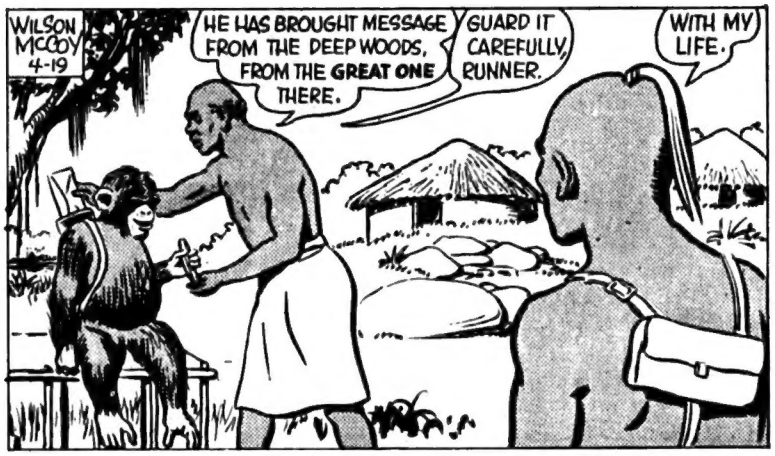
YOU'RE THE THIRD MAN ROBBED IN THE FIELDS THIS WEEK. DID YOU SEE THE HIJACKERS?
NOPE - GOT ME FROM BEHIND -
THIS IS A CO-OP DIAMOND FIELD. WE'VE GOT TO PROTECT THE MINERS! BRING IN ANYBODY OUT HERE NOT WORKING!
SEE ANYTHING OF THOSE HIJACKERS?
NOPE. LET YOU KNOW IF WE DO.
DIGGER, IT'S TIME WE LAMMED OUT.
WE'VE ONLY GOT A FEW SMALL STONES - WAIT UNTIL WE HIT THE JACK POT.
WILSON McCOY 4-13
KEEP MAKING LIKE YOU'RE WORKING, SLIM. I'LL LOOK AROUND.
CAREFUL, DIGGER. THE GUARDS ARE OUT.
IN THE DIAMOND FIELDS.
YOWIE! THIS MUST BE (GASP) A HUNDRED CARATS!
NO.. THIS IS MINE!
WAS!
WILSON McCOY 4-14
COME ON, SLIM! THIS IS IT! WE GOTTA MOVE OUT FAST!
IN THE DIAMOND FIELDS.
WELL - THEY FINALLY GOT ONE! THE HIJACKERS!
REMEMBER THOSE TWO GUYS WHO WERE DIGGING HERE? LOOKS LIKE THEY TOOK OFF FAST!
MUSTA BEEN THEM!
MEANWHILE, UNAWARE OF ALL THIS..
Dear Diana: Jungle Olympics here in four weeks. Can you visit? If yes, Cable me.
WILSON McCOY 4-15
A LETTER FOR YOUR RETURN TRIP, MR. MAILMAN.
GLOP - GLOP - GLOP -
IN THE DIAMOND FIELDS -
THEIR TRACKS START HERE. TRAIL THEM AROUND THE EARTH IF NECESSARY! I WANT THOSE HIJACKERS!
YES, SIR.
THEY'LL BE AFTER US, DIGGER. WHERE DO WE GO?
DEEPER INTO THE JUNGLE. WE'LL LOSE 'EM!
WILSON McCOY 4-16
ONE AIR-MAIL LETTER TO DIANA, EGBERT. OFF YOU GO.
AND THE MONKEY MAIL IS OFF.

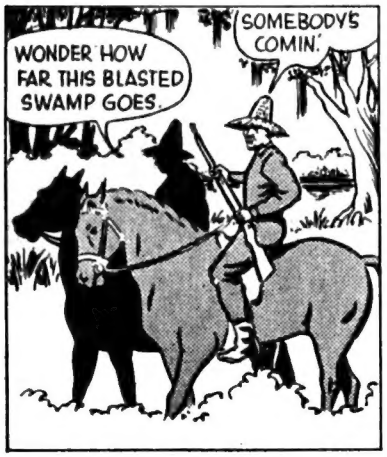
THIS CAMPFIRE'S MAYBE TWO DAYS OLD
THOSE IDIOTS ARE HEADING INTO DEEP JUNGLE.
THE DIAMOND FIELD GUARDS


STOP LOOKIN' BACK, SLIM. NOBODY'S AFTER US. CAREFUL, WE'RE NEAR A SWAMP.

LOOK AT THAT!
A CHIMP WITH A LEATHER SACK ON ITS BACK?
WILSON McCOY 4-18

THAT'S WHAT IT IS ALL RIGHT! A CHIMP - WITH A BLASTED SACK ON ITS BACK!
THAT'S ONE FOR THE BOOKS!


WILSON McCOY 4-19
HE HAS BROUGHT MESSAGE FROM THE DEEP WOODS, FROM THE GREAT ONE THERE.
GUARD IT CAREFULLY, RUNNER.
WITH MY LIFE.


WONDER HOW FAR THIS BLASTED SWAMP GOES.
SOMEBODY'S COMIN'.

HEY - IS THERE A VILLAGE NEAR HERE?
THAT WAY.

A GOOD HIDE-OUT. WE CAN GET GRUB AND A ROOF THERE.
MAYBE IT WASN'T SUCH A GOOD THING THAT GUY SAW US.

LOOK - THAT CHIMP! THE ONE WE SAW IN THE TREES!
WILSON McCOY 4-20

WE'RE TRAVELERS. CAN YOU PUT US UP FOR A FEW DAYS? WE CAN PAY.
WE GLAD TO RECEIVE TRAVELERS. NO PAY.

HEY, THIS IS GOOD. ALL FOR FREE!
I GOTTA FIND OUT ABOUT THAT CHIMP.
WILSON McCOY 4-21

DIDN'T WE SEE HIM UP IN THE TREES - CARRYING THAT SACK?
YES - CARRIES MAIL.

MAIL? TO WHO?
TO - TO THE DEEP WOODS.

WHAT AN IDEA! USIN' MONKEYS TO CARRY THE MAIL OVER THE SWAMP!
WHILE THE DIAMOND THIEVES HIDE OUT--
Dear Diana: Jungle Olympics here in four weeks. Can you wait? If yes, Cable me.
MEANWHILE, IN FAR-OFF AMERICA--
CAN I EVER!
HELLO-AIRLINES? I WANT A RESERVATION--
HELLO-A CABLE-TO MR. WALKER, P.O. BOX 7, BENGALI. ARRIVE AIRPORT ON 8TH. CAN YOU MEET ME? LOVE, DIANA.
WILSON McCOY 4-22
I'M GOING TO BENGALI TO SEE HIM AND THE JUNGLE OLYMPICS! ISN'T THAT EXCITING, UNCLE DAVE?
WHICH? HIM OR THE OLYMPICS?
JUST LOOK AT THIS DIAMOND-MUST BE A HUNDRED CARATS!
AT LEAST, DIGGER. HOW MUCH YOU FIGGER IT'S WORTH?
YES-I SAW TWO MEN ON HORSES-MANY DAYS AGO-WENT TO VILLAGE.
THANKS
WILSON McCOY 4-23
LOOK! NO HORSES LIKE THAT THIS DEEP IN THE JUNGLE!
LOOKS LIKE WE'VE FOUND OUR HIJACKERS!
IMAGINE THIS BIG BABY POLISHED UP!
THOSE LITTLE DIAMONDS ARE NOTHING TO SNEEZE AT, DIGGER.
WILSON McCOY 4-25
GUARDS FROM THE MIND FIELD. THEY TRAILED US HERE! QUICK-WE GOTTA HIDE THESE.
HIDE THESE DIAMONDS? WHERE, DIGGER? THOSE GUARDS'LL GO OVER EVERY INCH OF THIS PLACE, AND US!
FIND SOME PLACE THAT'S SAFE-FAST-IT'S OUR ONLY CHANCE! I'LL GO OUT THERE AND DRAW THEIR ATTENTION.
FIND A SAFE PLACE FAST-HE SAYS! WHERE-WHERE?
WILSON McCOY 4-26

HEY... YOU!
WHO... ME?

YOU'RE THE ONE CALLED 'DIGGER'? UNDER ARREST... FOR MURDER!
WHO YOU KIDDING?

THIS IS ONE PLACE THEY'LL NEVER LOOK!
WILSON McCOY 4-27

YOU THINK WE HIJACKED DIAMONDS FROM THE FIELD?
STRIP, BOTH OF YOU.
WE'RE HONEST MINERS.
IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR DIAMONDS ON US... YOU'RE CRAZY!

WE COULDN'T FIND ONE! THAT'S WHY WE LEFT THE FIELD. RIGHT, SLIM?
WILSON McCOY 4-28

BUT SLIM FORGOT TO LOCK THE CAGE.

NOTHING HERE.
I TOLD YOU! WE GOT NO DIAMONDS! YOU'RE ATER THE WRONG GUYS.
WE DON'T THINK SO. WE'VE GOT PLENTY TIME. WE'RE GOING TO SEARCH THIS LITTLE VILLAGE INCH BY INCH.

SEARCH YOUR HEADS OFF! IF YOU MAKE TROUBLE FOR US, WE'LL SUE YOU FOR FALSE ARREST.
WILSON McCOY 4-29

THE CHIMP!

YOU TWO STAY HERE WHILE I SEARCH THE OTHER HUTS. STEVE, STAY ON GUARD. DIAMONDS CAN'T WALK AWAY.

YOU SURE HID 'EM, SLIM. WHERE?

WILSON McCOY 4-30
THERE!

THE 'MONKEY MAIL' TAKES OFF!
YOU PUT THE DIAMONDS IN THAT MONK'S POUCH ~ YOU LUNKHEAD ~~!
I FORGOT TO LOCK THE CAGE ~!
I'VE BEEN OVER EVERY INCH OF THIS PLACE ~ NO LUCK.
ON YOUR FEET, YOU TWO. YOU'RE COMING BACK WITH US.
BLAST OFF, FLATFOOT. WE'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE WITH YOU ~ AND YOU KNOW IT.
WILSON McCOY 5-2
DON'T BLUFF US. YOU'VE GOT NO EVIDENCE ~ NO WITNESSES AGAINST US. YOU CAN'T ARREST US HERE ~ OUT OF YOUR JURISDICTION.
HUH ~ A LEGAL EAGLE. SOUNDS LIKE YOU'VE BEEN UP AGAINST THE LAW BEFORE.
OKAY ~~ YOU WIN, DIGGER ~~ THIS TIME ~~
IF YOU CACHED THOSE DIAMONDS, YOU'RE STUCK WITH THEM IN THIS JUNGLE. EVERY BORDER STATION'LL BE WATCHING FOR YOU!
NOW WHAT, DIGGER?
THE CHIMP'S GOT OUR DIAMONDS. SIMPLE. WE FIND THE CHIMP ~~
WILSON McCOY 5-3
YOUR MONKEY MAILMAN GOT AWAY, HUH?
NOT SERIOUS. IS TRAINED. GOES TO ONE PLACE. COMES BACK. BESIDES, WE HAVE OTHERS.
SUBSTITUTE MAILMAN, HUH? WHEN THEY DELIVER A LETTER ~ WHO GETS IT?
PHANTOM ~ GHOST WHO WALKS ~ RULER OF JUNGLE!
YOU ~ STUPID ~~! SO CLEVER ~ HIDIN' THE DIAMONDS WITH THE CHIMP! YOU KNOW WHERE THEY WENT?
TO SOME GUY WHO'S BOSS OF THIS WHOLE BLASTED JUNGLE ~ THAT'S WHO!
WILSON McCOY 5-4
!
NO ONE 'GOES TO SEE' PHANTOM. YOU GO WHEN CALLED.
YEAH? WHAT'S TO KEEP ME FROM PAYIN' HIM A VISIT?
THE PYGMY POISON PEOPLE. TO ENTER THE DEEP WOODS WITHOUT INVITATION MEANS INSTANT DEATH.
MEANWHILE, IN THE FORBIDDEN DEEP WOODS ~~
FOFO ~~ WITH THE MAIL! A REPLY FROM DIANA ~~ SO SOON?
?
WILSON McCOY 5-5

UNCUT ~ DIAMONDS! ONE AS BIG AS A LEMON! WHAT ARE THEY DOING IN YOUR MAIL POUCH, FOFO?
GLOP

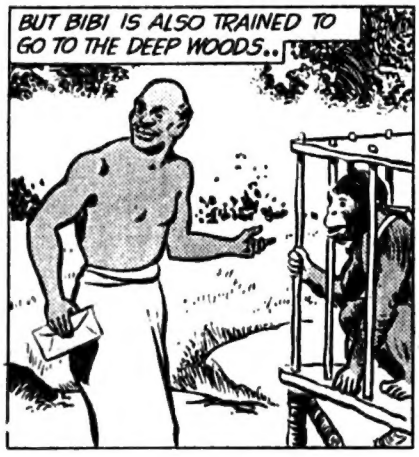
NO USE HANGING AROUND HERE. WE GOTTA FIGURE OUT HOW TO GET THOSE DIAMONDS BACK!
FROM THAT JUNGLE BOSS ~ WHAT'S HIS NAME?

I DUNNO. HE'S NO NATIVE FROM WHAT I GET. MAYBE SOME HOOD HIDING OUT. WE CAN MAKE A DEAL WITH HIM.

BUT THOSE PYGMIES ~ THEIR POISON ARROWS!
THOSE DIAMONDS ARE WORTH OVER A MILLION! I'M NOT LOSIN' 'EM ~~ PYGMIES OR NO PYGMIES!
WILSON McCOY 5-6

GOSH, DIGGER ~ GOING INTO THE DEEP WOODS!
WE'RE GETTIN' OUR DIAMONDS. IF A PYGMY SHOWS HIS FACE ~ PLUG HIM!

MESSAGE ~~ FOR PHANTOM. OH ~ FOFO IS GONE?
ESCAPED. HE'LL BE BACK.


BUT BIBI IS ALSO TRAINED TO GO TO THE DEEP WOODS..

TIME TO WORK FOR YOUR LIVING. OFF YOU GO, OLD GIRL ~ TO THE GHOST WHO WALKS!
WILSON McCOY 5-7

IF YOU SEE YOUR BROTHER FOFO, TELL HIM TO COME HOME. ALL IS FORGIVEN.

IF YOU HAD PUT THOSE DIAMONDS ANYPLACE ELSE BUT IN THAT CHIMP'S POUCH!
ANYPLACE ELSE ~ THE GUARDS WOULD HAVE FOUND 'EM ~

DIGGER ~ LOOK ~ UP THERE ~~! THE CHIMP!
WITH OUR DIAMONDS!

WILSON McCOY 5-9

THE CHIMP ~~ WITH OUR DIAMONDS! WHAT A BREAK!

WILSON McCOY 5-10

HOW ABOUT THAT! SWINGING UP THERE ~ JUST WAITIN' FOR US!
I WASN'T SO DUMB, WAS I, DIGGER!

MAN~~OUR DIAMONDS! COME TO PAPA! HEY~~ WHERE ARE THEY?
?

NOTHING IN THERE~~JUST~~ THIS~LETTER!
BUT~~ I PUT THE SACK OF DIAMONDS IN THERE~~! MIGHTA FALLEN OUT~~

THE POUCH~~ WAS FASTENED TIGHT!
NO~~ DIGGER~~ HONEST!
YOU DOUBLE-CROSSIN' SWINE! YOU DIDN'T PUT THE DIAMONDS THERE! YOU HID 'EM~~ WHERE?
WILSON McCOY 5-11

DIGGER~HONEST~I PUT THE DIAMONDS IN THE CHIMP'S POUCH~~ WAIT~~LISTEN~~
TALK FAST~~ YOU DOUBLE-CROSSIN'~~

THIS MUST BE A DIFFERENT CHIMP! THEY HAD A COUPLE~~
REMEMBER~WE SAW THAT RUNNER COME WITH A LETTER~~

Cablegram
Mr. Walker - P.O. Box 7 - Bengali
Darling Arrive airport on 8th.
Can you meet me.
Love Diana.
WILSON McCOY 5-12

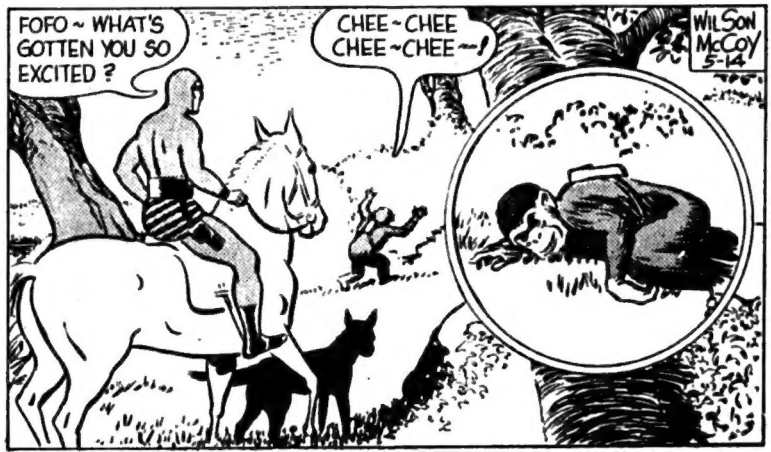
SEE~~! IT'S FROM HIS GIRL FRIEND~~ THAT GUY IN THE DEEP WOODS!
HMM~

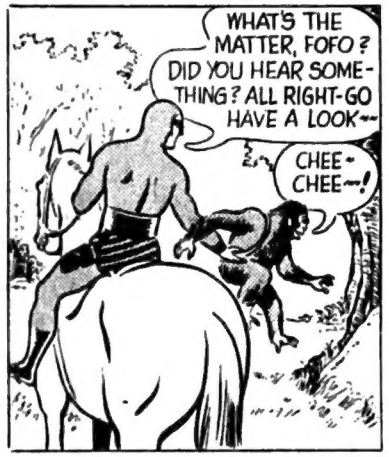
HMM~~HIS GIRL FRIEND'S COMING IN A WEEK.
YEAH~~WE KNOW THAT~~ BUT HE DOESN'T.
WE CAN MAKE THAT AIRPORT BEFORE THEN! WE'LL MEET HER~~! THEN HE'S GOT TO COME TO US!
Cablegram
Mr. Walker - P.O. Box 7 - Bengali
Darling Arrive airport on 8th.
Can you meet me.
Love Diana

ISN'T THAT BETTER THAN FIGHTIN' PYGMIES WITH POISON ARROWS, DIGGER?
SLIM, FOR A GUY WITH NO BRAINS, YOU DO ALL RIGHT!

COME, FOFO, LET'S SEE WHAT THIS SACK OF DIAMONDS MEANS.
WILSON McCOY 5-13

WATCH YOUR STEP, FELLOWS. THIS SWAMP CAN BE TRICKY~~
FOFO~~HOW'D YOU GET THESE DIAMONDS IN YOUR POUCH~~?

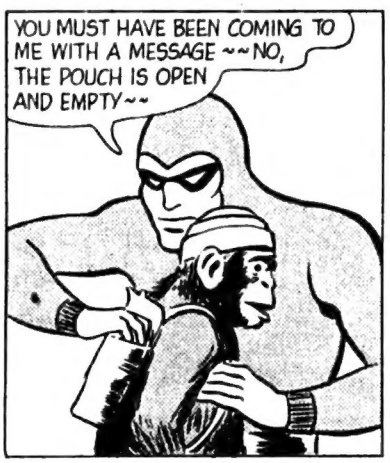

FOFO~WHAT'S GOTTEN YOU SO EXCITED?
CHEE~CHEE CHEE~CHEE~~!
WILSON McCOY 5-14

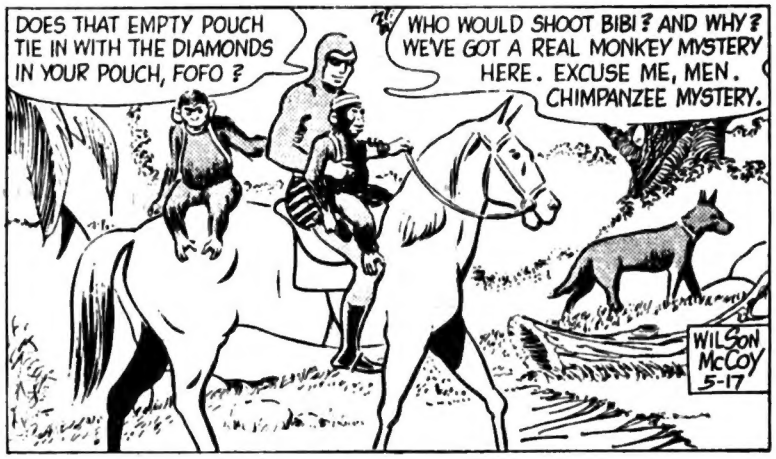

WHAT'S THE MATTER, FOFO? DID YOU HEAR SOMETHING? ALL RIGHT-GO HAVE A LOOK~~
CHEE-CHEE~~!

CHEE~CHEE CHEE!
CHEE~~

IT'S BIBI! WHAT ARE YOU DOING OUT HERE? DID AN ANIMAL GET YOU~OR A TUMMYACHE? NO~A WOUND! BY A BULLET?
CHEE-CHEE!
WILSON McCOY 5-16

YOU HAD A CLOSE SHAVE, BIBI. THIS'LL HOLD YOU UNTIL WE GET YOU HOME~
LET THAT BANDAGE ALONE, FOFO.


YOU MUST HAVE BEEN COMING TO ME WITH A MESSAGE ~~NO, THE POUCH IS OPEN AND EMPTY~~


DOES THAT EMPTY POUCH TIE IN WITH THE DIAMONDS IN YOUR POUCH, FOFO?
WHO WOULD SHOOT BIBI? AND WHY? WE'VE GOT A REAL MONKEY MYSTERY HERE. EXCUSE ME, MEN. CHIMPANZEE MYSTERY.
WILSON McCOY 5-17

I'VE BROUGHT BACK OUR BOYS~AND A FEW QUESTIONS, NADI.
?

WHY WE RIDING SO HARD~WITHOUT SLEEP~DIGGER? NOBODY'S AFTER US.
MEBBE THAT PHANTOM BOSSMAN IS! US SHOOTIN' HIS CHIMP~

BESIDES, WE'VE ONLY GOT FIVE DAYS TO REACH THE AIRPORT AND MEET THAT GIRL~ WE'LL NEVER MAKE IT~~
LOOK, DIGGER~A CAR! MAYBE WE CAN BORROW IT!
WILSON McCOY 5-18

WE WANT TO RENT A CAR.
DO YOU NOW? THERE'S NO CAR FOR RENT WITHIN A HUNDRED MILES OF HERE.

YOU DON'T GET THE MESSAGE. WE WANT TO 'RENT' YOURS!
!

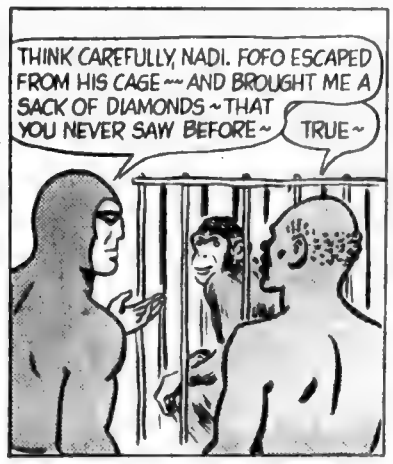
AND WE WANT TO BORROW THIS CASH BOX. THIS GREEN STUFF'LL COME IN HANDY.
HEY!

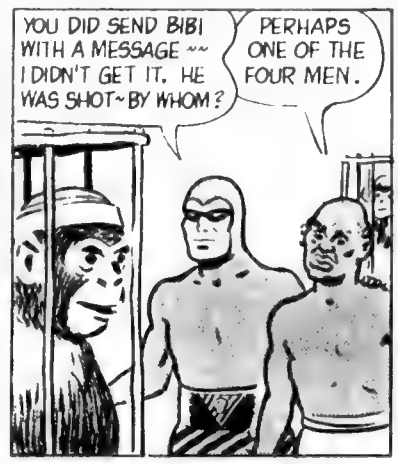
WILSON McCOY 5-19
AIN'T YOU HEARD? THE CUSTOMER'S ALWAYS RIGHT!
UH~

NADI, YOU PUT A MESSAGE FOR ME IN BIBI'S POUCH? WHEN I FOUND HIM, IT WAS EMPTY.
TRUE.

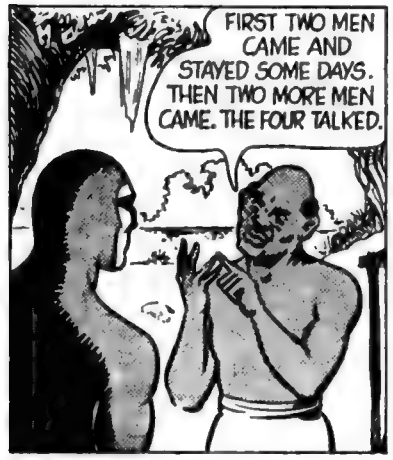
FOFO CAME TWO DAYS AGO WITH THIS SACK. DID YOU SEND IT?
I NEVER SAW IT. FOFO ESCAPED FROM HIS CAGE.

HMM~THE MESSAGE YOU SENT WITH BIBI NEVER REACHED ME. FOFO BROUGHT ME THIS SACK OF DIAMONDS THAT YOU DID NOT SEND.
WHAT DO YOU MAKE OF THIS, NADI?
A DEEP AND PUZZLING MYSTERY, O GHOST WHO WALKS.
WILSON McCOY 5-20

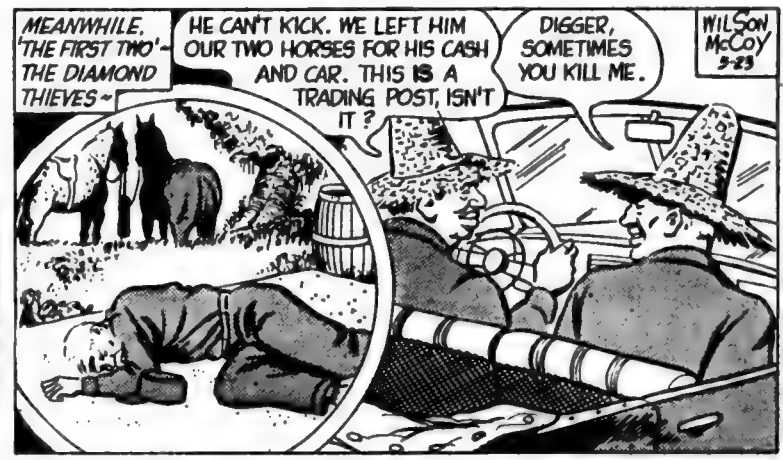

THINK CAREFULLY, NADI. FOFO ESCAPED FROM HIS CAGE~~AND BROUGHT ME A SACK OF DIAMONDS~THAT YOU NEVER SAW BEFORE~
TRUE~

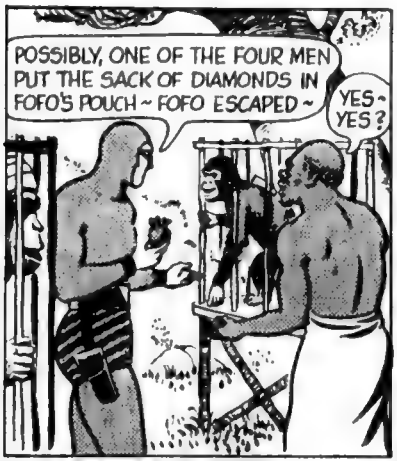

YOU DID SEND BIBI WITH A MESSAGE~~ I DIDN'T GET IT. HE WAS SHOT~BY WHOM?
PERHAPS ONE OF THE FOUR MEN.

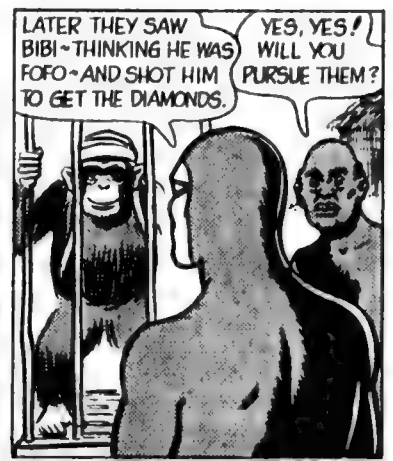
TAKE THAT CASH BOX INTO THE CAR. I'LL GRAB SOME CANS OF GRUB. WE'LL NEED 'EM.
DON'T FORGET A CAN OPENER.
MEANWHILE, TWO DAYS' RIDE AWAY~THE DIAMOND THIEVES~~
WILSON McCOY 5-21


FIRST TWO MEN CAME AND STAYED SOME DAYS. THEN TWO MORE MEN CAME. THE FOUR TALKED.

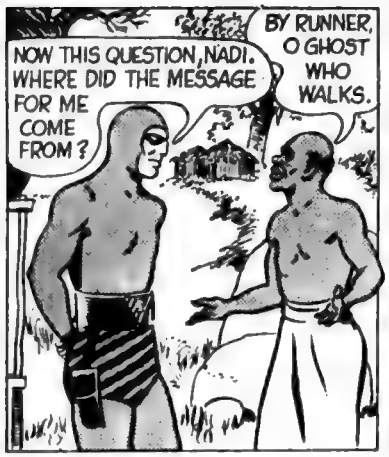
THEN THE SECOND TWO DEPARTED. AND THEN~THE FIRST TWO DEPARTED.
HMM~THAT MAKES EVERYTHING QUITE CLEAR.

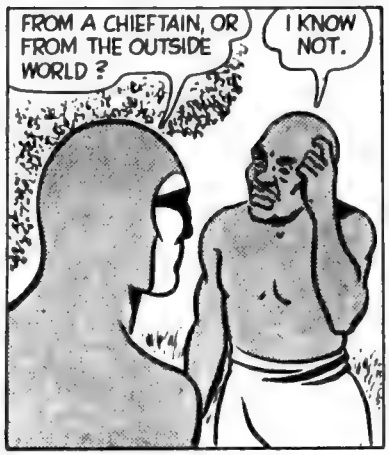

MEANWHILE, 'THE FIRST TWO'~THE DIAMOND THIEVES~
HE CAN'T KICK. WE LEFT HIM OUR TWO HORSES FOR HIS CASH AND CAR. THIS IS A TRADING POST, ISN'T IT?
DIGGER, SOMETIMES YOU KILL ME.
WILSON McCOY 5-23


POSSIBLY, ONE OF THE FOUR MEN PUT THE SACK OF DIAMONDS IN FOFO'S POUCH~FOFO ESCAPED~
YES~YES?


LATER THEY SAW BIBI~THINKING HE WAS FOFO~AND SHOT HIM TO GET THE DIAMONDS.
YES, YES! WILL YOU PURSUE THEM?

NO. THIS IS A FORTUNE IN DIAMONDS. WHOEVER LEFT THEM HERE WILL RETURN TO GET THEM. THEY THREW AWAY THE MESSAGE~~
AH, IT HAS BEEN WELL SAID~~ THE PHANTOM HAS THE WISDOM OF THE SERPENT.
WILSON McCOY 5-24


NOW THIS QUESTION, NADI. WHERE DID THE MESSAGE FOR ME COME FROM?
BY RUNNER, O GHOST WHO WALKS.


FROM A CHIEFTAIN, OR FROM THE OUTSIDE WORLD?
I KNOW NOT.

HMM~THAT RELAY TEAM HAS A HUNDRED RUNNERS. THE MESSAGE COULD HAVE ORIGINATED ANYWHERE.

WAS IT DIANA'S ANSWER TO MY LETTER, INVITING HER TO COME HERE? IS SHE COMING?
I'LL WAIT A DAY TO FIND OUT.
WILSON McCOY 5-25

DIANA IS ON HER LAST LAP TO BENGALI!

TOMORROW~~ I'LL SEE HIM~~ AT LAST!

DIGGER, THE WORD'LL GET OUT THAT WE STOLE THIS CAR.
YEAH, WE BETTER DITCH IT AT THE EDGE OF TOWN.

WE'RE HEADED FOR THE AIRPORT. CAN YOU GIVE US A LIFT?
SURE, HOP IN BACK.
WILSON McCOY 5-26

WE WANT TO RENT A CAR~ JUST FOR A FEW DAYS.
I'LL REQUIRE A DEPOSIT.
WE GOT IT. DON'T WORRY.
CAR RENTALS

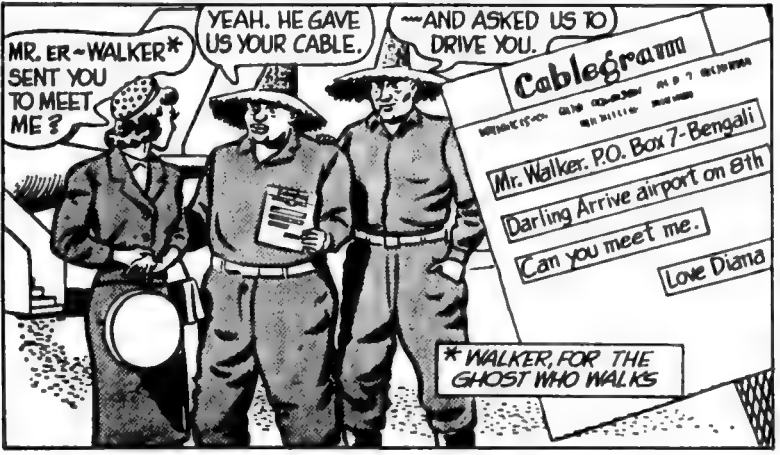
LADY, THERE'S A DIANA PALMER ON THE NEXT PLANE. CAN YOU PAGE HER?
YES. OH, IT'S COMING IN NOW!

BENGALI~AT LAST! WHERE IS HE? MAYBE HE DIDN'T GET MY CABLE~~
CALLING MISS DIANA PALMER
I'LL BET THAT'S HER~ THE GOOD-LOOKIN' DOLL!
WILSON McCOY 5-27

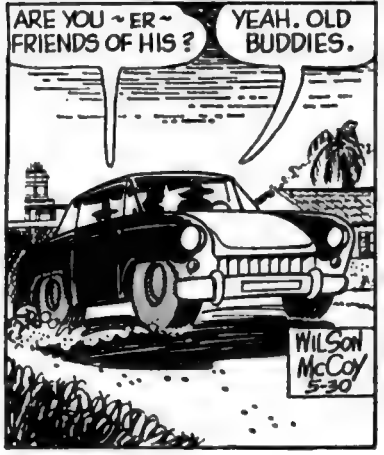
I'M DIANA PALMER.
I WAS ASKED TO PAGE YOU. TWO MEN~~
ODD-LOOKING MEN TO MEET HER!

THAT'S HER~THE DOLL! DIDN'T I SPOT HER?
SO DID I.

MISS, I'M DIGGER~~ HE'S SLIM. WE WAS SENT TO MEET YOU.
YOU WERE SENT~~ BY WHOM?
BY YOUR FRIEND. YOU KNOW, MR. WALKER.*
* WALKER~~~ FOR THE GHOST WHO WALKS.
WILSON McCOY 5-28

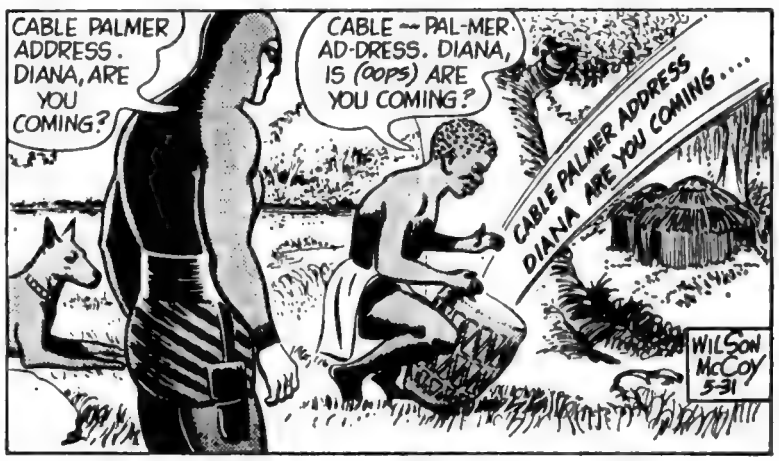

MR. ER ~ WALKER* SENT YOU TO MEET ME?
YEAH. HE GAVE US YOUR CABLE.
~AND ASKED US TO DRIVE YOU.
Cablegram
Mr. Walker. P.O. Box 7-Bengali
Darling Arrive airport on 8th
Can you meet me.
Love Diana
* WALKER, FOR THE GHOST WHO WALKS

HE WAS TIED UP WITH SOME JUNGLE STUFF.
JUNGLE STUFF?

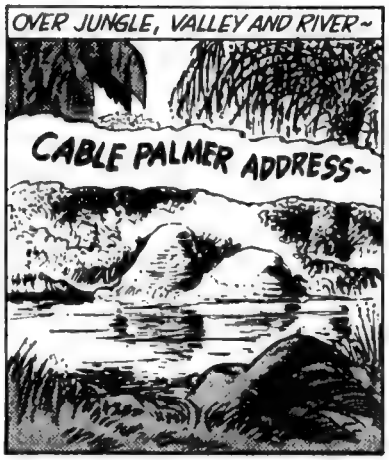

ARE YOU ~ ER ~ FRIENDS OF HIS?
YEAH. OLD BUDDIES.
WILSON McCOY 5-30

I WONDER IF THAT LOST MESSAGE WAS FROM DIANA!

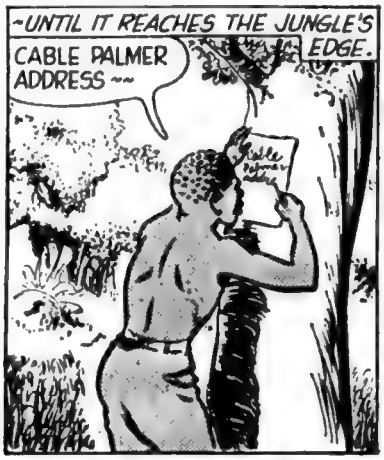
YOU WANT TO SEND A MESSAGE WITH FOFO?
NO ~ THAT'S TOO SLOW. USE TOM-TOMS. RUSH ORDER.


CABLE PALMER ADDRESS. DIANA, ARE YOU COMING?
CABLE ~~ PAL-MER AD-DRESS. DIANA, IS (OOPS) ARE YOU COMING?
CABLE PALMER ADDRESS DIANA ARE YOU COMING....
WILSON McCOY 5-31

THE MESSAGE LEAVES THE DEEP WOODS-
CABLE PALMER ADDRESS. DIANA ARE YOU COMING.


OVER JUNGLE, VALLEY AND RIVER~
CABLE PALMER ADDRESS~

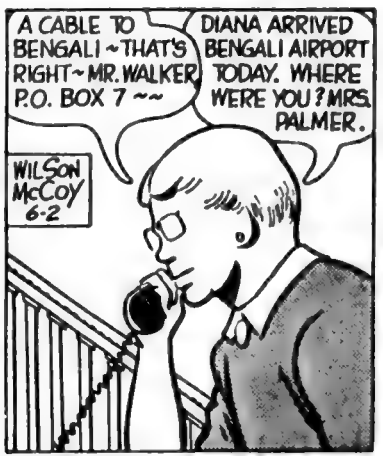
~ PICKED UP AND RE-SENT A DOZEN TIMES ~~
DIANA ARE YOU COMING....
WILSON McCOY 6-1


~UNTIL IT REACHES THE JUNGLE'S EDGE.
CABLE PALMER ADDRESS ~~

HAVE MESSAGE TO SEND. RUSH RUSH!
OKAY, SONNY. WE'LL HANDLE IT RUSH RUSH.

THE WORDS FLY AROUND THE EARTH~
DIANA ARE YOU COMING.

IT'S A CABLE FROM HIM. BUT DIANA'S THERE BY NOW!
MAYBE HE DIDN'T GET HER TELEGRAM.


A CABLE TO BENGALI ~ THAT'S RIGHT ~ MR. WALKER P.O. BOX 7 ~~
DIANA ARRIVED BENGALI AIRPORT TODAY. WHERE WERE YOU? MRS. PALMER.
WILSON McCOY 6-2

WE'LL WAIT HERE FOR MR. WALKER.
SLIM, BRING IN MISS PALMER'S LUGGAGE AND THE GROCERIES.
WHAT'SA MATTER WITH YOU? YOU GOT A BROKEN ARM?

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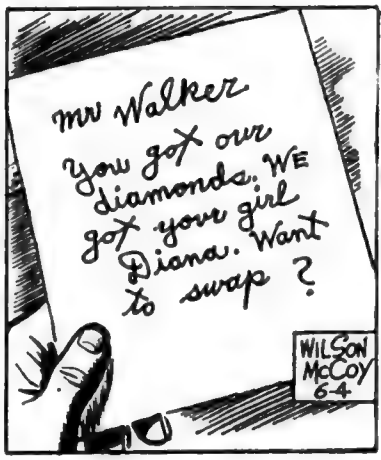
WILSON McCOY 6-3

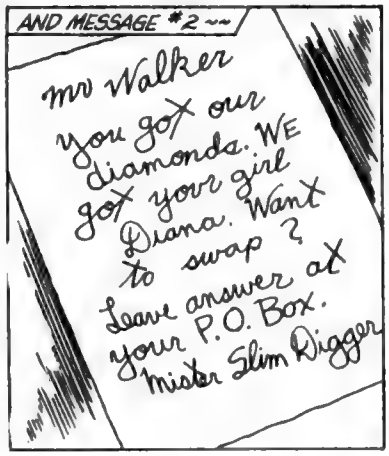
WAIT~~ IN THIS PLACE? I'D RATHER WAIT AT THE HOTEL.
NO, MISS PALMER~YOU WAIT HERE~~ LIKE HE SAID.

BUT I PREFER TO WAIT IN THE HOTEL. CAN'T YOU TELL MR. WALKER~*
NO, MISS PALMER. YOU STAY HERE. HE SAID SO.
EXCUSE US~~ WE GOT SOME WORK TO DO.
* WALKER~ FOR THE GHOST WHO WALKS.

YOU BETTER PRINT IT SO SOMEBODY CAN READ IT.
SHADDUP~~~ I'M THINKIN'~


mr Walker
you got our diamonds. WE got your girl Diana. Want to swap?
WILSON McCOY 6-4

MESSAGE #1 FOR MR. WALKER~ FROM OVERSEAS~
DIANA ARRIVED BENGALI AIRPORT TODAY~


AND MESSAGE #2 ~~
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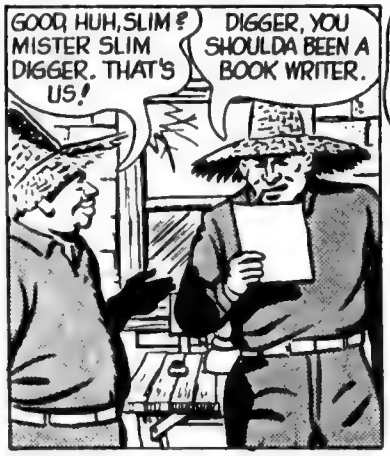
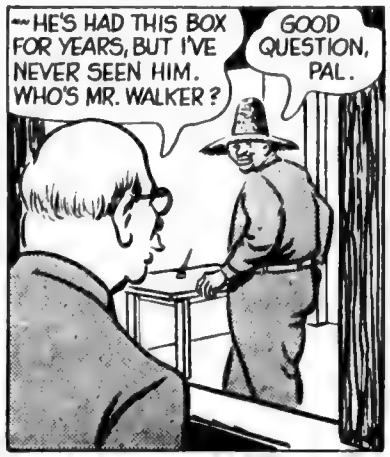
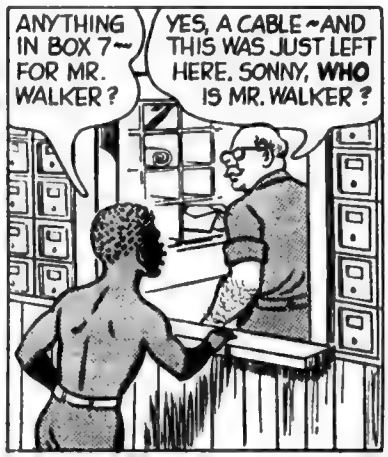
Leave answer at your P.O. Box.
Mister Slim Digger

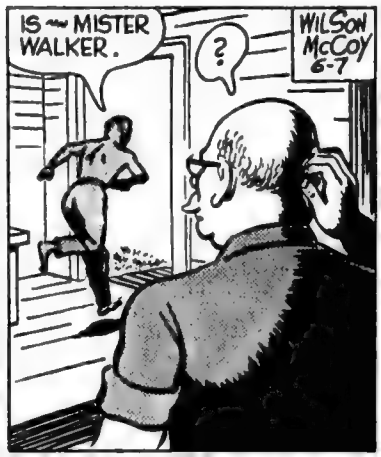

GOOD, HUH, SLIM? MISTER SLIM DIGGER. THAT'S US!
DIGGER, YOU SHOULDA BEEN A BOOK WRITER.

IF YOU WANT SOMETHIN' ASK SLIM. I GOTTA TAKE CARE OF IMPORTANT BUSINESS, MISS PALMER.
WILSON McCOY 6-6

I WANNA LEAVE THIS LETTER FOR MR. WALKER,* BOX 7.
HUH? SECOND MESSAGE FOR HIM TODAY. SAY~~
* WALKER~~ FOR THE GHOST WHO WALKS~


~HE'S HAD THIS BOX FOR YEARS, BUT I'VE NEVER SEEN HIM. WHO'S MR. WALKER?
GOOD QUESTION, PAL.


ANYTHING IN BOX 7~ FOR MR. WALKER?
YES, A CABLE~AND THIS WAS JUST LEFT HERE. SONNY, WHO IS MR. WALKER?


IS~~ MISTER WALKER.
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WILSON McCOY 6-7

TWO MESSAGES FOR PHANTOM ~~ DEEP WOODS. RUSH RUSH.
AT THE EDGE OF THE JUNGLE ~
WE WILL MOVE LIKE THE VERY LIGHTNING.
~ THE SPEEDY RELAY BEGINS ~~ MILE AFTER MILE ~
PHANTOM ~ (PUFF-PUFF) DEEP WOODS ~
~ RUNNER AFTER RUNNER ~~ DEEP INTO THE JUNGLE ~~
WILSON McCOY 6-8
STRANGE ~~ NO REPLY FROM DIANA ~ ISN'T SHE COMING? IS SHE ANGRY ABOUT SOMETHING?
MORNIN', MISS PALMER. SLEEP GOOD?
ON THAT MATTRESS?
GOT SOME GRUB COOKIN', MISS. BREAKFAST'LL BE READY IN A JIFFY.
UGH ~ ER ~ I'D LIKE TO GO INTO TOWN FOR BREAKFAST.
UH ~~ THE JALOPY BROKE DOWN.
IT'S NOT FAR. I CAN WALK.
NOPE, YOU BETTER STAY HERE. MR. WALKER MAY BE COMIN' ANY MINUTE NOW.
WILSON McCOY 6-9
MESSAGES FOR PHANTOM.
GOOD. MAYBE THEY'LL CLEAR UP MYSTERY OF THE MISSING ONE.
THE LONG RELAY REACHES THE LAST LAP ~~
~~ THE 'MONKEY MAIL' TAKES OVER ~~ CROSSING THE GREAT SWAMP ~~
~~ AND REACHING THE DEEP WOODS ~
AT LAST ~~ ONE'S A CABLE ~ FROM DIANA, I HOPE ~~
WILSON McCOY 6-10
Cablegram
Mr. Walker. P.O. Box 7. Bengali.
Diana arrived Bengali
airport today.
Where were you.
Mrs. Palmer.
Mr Walker You got our diamonds. We got your girl Diana. Want to swap? Leave answer at your P.O. Box. Mister Slim
GLOP
!
IN THE DEEP WOODS ~
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MR. DIGGER, I'M GOING TO A HOTEL. I CAN WALK. IF MR. WALKER EVER GETS HERE, TELL HIM WHERE I AM.
I TOLD YOU, MISS PALMER ~~ YOU'RE STAYIN' RIGHT HERE!
WILSON McCOY 6-11
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CONT'D.

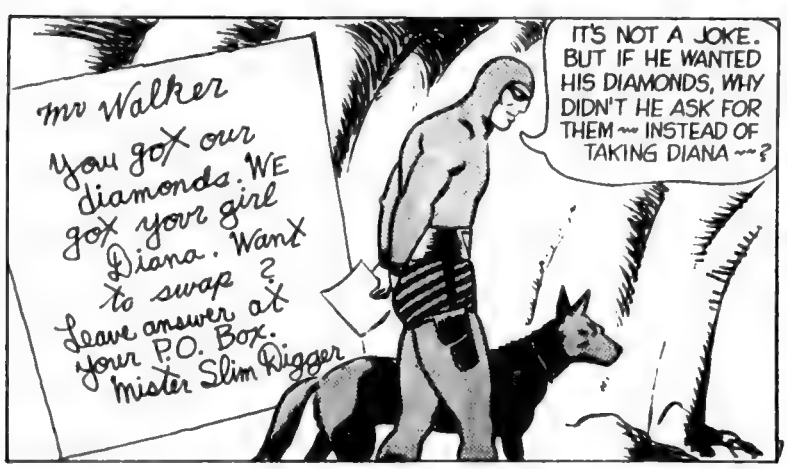
WHY CAN'T I LEAVE? AM I A-- PRISONER?
NOT EXACTLY, MISS. WE NEED YOU FOR A SWAP. YOU FOR OUR DIAMONDS.
YOUR PAL MR. WALKER'S* GOT 'EM.
*WALKER~ FOR THE GHOST WHO WALKS

WHAT'S HE DOING WITH YOUR DIAMONDS?
THEY GOT INTO THE POUCH OF HIS MONKEY MAILMAN ~~ BY MISTAKE.

MONKEY MAILMAN?
IT SOUNDS AS CRAZY TO US TOO, MISS. BUT IT'S TRUE.
WILSON McCOY 6-13

THEN ~ YOU'RE NOT FRIENDS OF HIS! YOU LIED!
NOPE, MISS. NEVER SAW HIM IN OUR LIVES.
YUP! MIGHTY ASHAMED. SLIM, SHOW HER HOW ASHAMED WE ARE.

YOUR MR. WALKER'S GOT A MILLION BUCKS' WORTH OF OUR DIAMONDS! SO JUST SIT AND WAIT, MISS.
VERY WELL! I FEEL SORRY FOR YOU TWO. YOU'RE ASKING FOR IT.
WHAT DOES SHE MEAN BY THAT?
WILSON McCOY 6-14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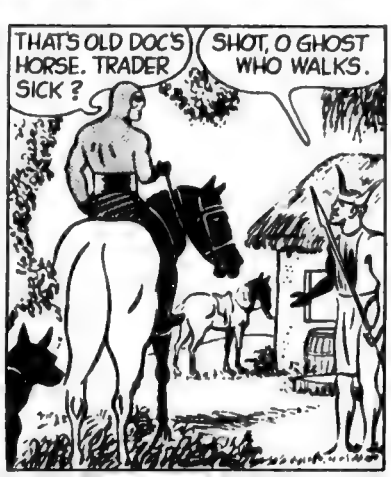
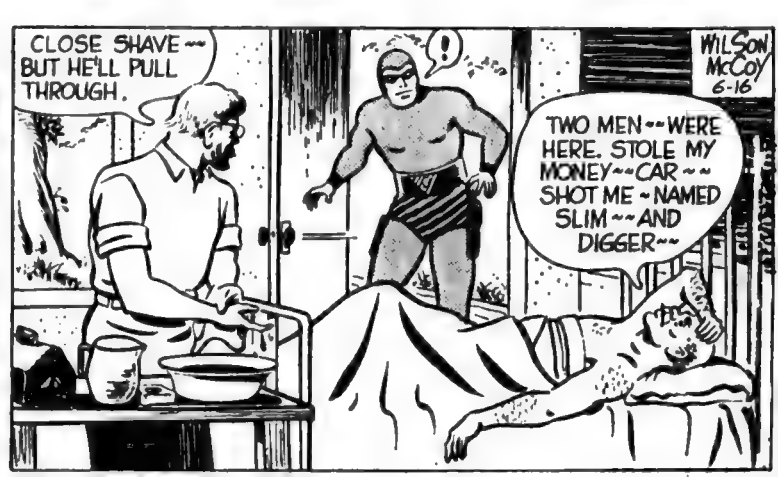
You got our diamonds. We got your girl Diana. Want to swap? Leave answer at your P.O. Box.
Mister Slim Digger
IT'S NOT A JOKE. BUT IF HE WANTED HIS DIAMONDS, WHY DIDN'T HE ASK FOR THEM ~~ INSTEAD OF TAKING DIANA ~~?

SEND THIS MESSAGE TO MY BOX AT ONCE.
SLIM DIGGER ~~ WILL MEET YOU AT ONCE. ADVISE. WALKER.

--WILL MEET YOU AT ONCE-
THAT MESSAGE WILL GET TO TOWN LONG BEFORE I DO ~~
WILSON McCOY 6-15

MEET YOU AT ONCE--ADVISE
THE PHANTOM'S MESSAGE SPEEDS AHEAD OF HIM --


THAT'S OLD DOC'S HORSE. TRADER SICK?
SHOT, O GHOST WHO WALKS.


CLOSE SHAVE ~~ BUT HE'LL PULL THROUGH.
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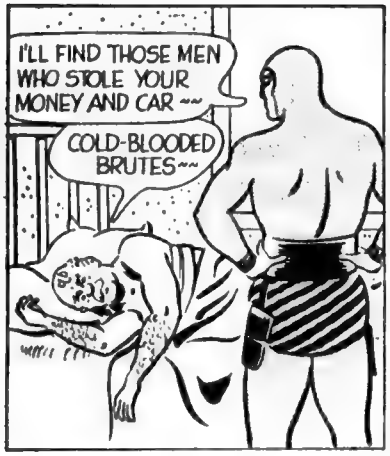
WILSON McCOY 6-16
TWO MEN ~~ WERE HERE. STOLE MY MONEY ~~ CAR ~~ SHOT ME ~ NAMED SLIM ~~ AND DIGGER ~~


I'LL FIND THOSE MEN WHO STOLE YOUR MONEY AND CAR ~~
COLD-BLOODED BRUTES~~

SLIM ~ DIGGER ~~ TWO MEN. THUGS! THEY MUST HAVE STOLEN THESE DIAMONDS. THAT EXPLAINS IT ~~

AND THEY'VE GOT DIANA! FASTER, HERO!

WILSON McCOY 6-17
SLIM DIGGER ~ WILL MEET YOU AT ONCE ~ ADVISE
FAR AHEAD, HIS MESSAGE REACHES THE JUNGLE'S EDGE ~~

MR. WALKER* IS HONEST. IF HE GOT YOUR DIAMONDS BY MISTAKE, WHY DIDN'T YOU ASK HIM FOR THEM ~ ?
GOSH ~ WE NEVER THOUGHT OF THAT!
HOW'D WE MISS IT ?
*WALKER ~ FOR THE GHOST WHO WALKS ~~

~ UNLESS THE DIAMONDS WEREN'T LEGALLY YOURS.
THAT'S A REAL "UNLESS" ~ MISS.

DIGGER, WHAT IF HE DECIDES TO KEEP THE DIAMONDS INSTEAD OF HER ?
WILSON McCOY 6-18
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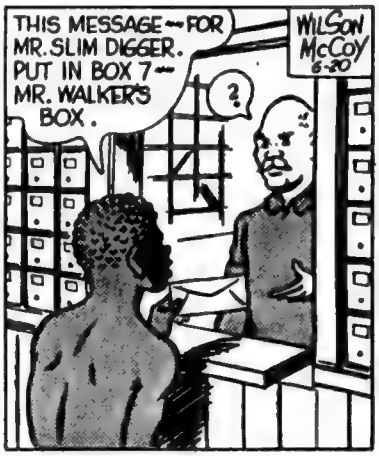
CONT'D.

SLIM, SAY YOU HAD THIS WALKER* GUY'S CHOICE ~~ A MILLION IN DIAMONDS OR THIS DAME. WHICH WOULD YOU TAKE ?
THERE'S A LOTTA PRETTY DAMES ~~ BUT A MILLION'S A MILLION.
HMM!
*WALKER ~~ FOR THE GHOST WHO WALKS ~~

I'LL SEE IF HIS ANSWER'S IN THE POST OFFICE YET.
CAREFUL, DIGGER. HE MAY BE THERE, WATCHING.

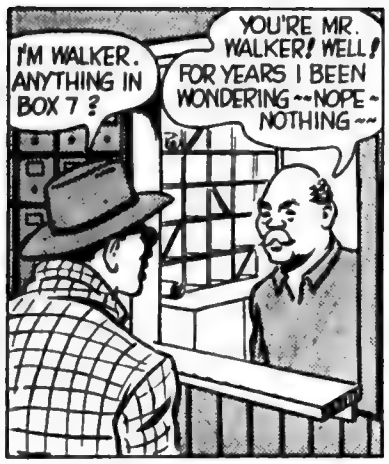

THIS MESSAGE ~~ FOR MR. SLIM DIGGER. PUT IN BOX 7 ~~ MR. WALKER'S BOX.
WILSON McCOY 6-20
?

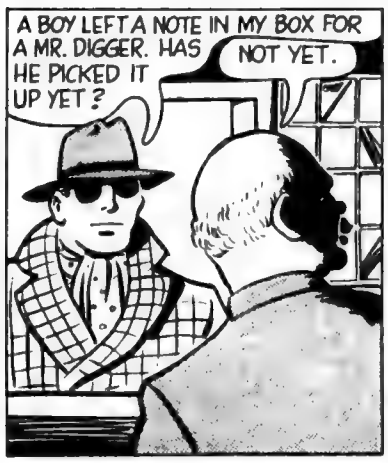
AT THE JUNGLE'S EDGE ~~
HE COMES ~ LIKE THE WIND!

YOU RECEIVED MY MESSAGE AND TOOK IT TO THE POST OFFICE ?
YES, O GHOST WHO WALKS.

I HOPE THEY HAVEN'T PICKED UP MY ANSWER YET ~ I MAY SEE THEM ~~
IF ONLY DIANA'S ALL RIGHT ~

I BETTER WATCH IT ~ WALKER MAY BE HERE ~~ I DON'T KNOW WHAT HE LOOKS LIKE.
WILSON McCOY 6-21


I'M WALKER. ANYTHING IN BOX 7 ?
YOU'RE MR. WALKER! WELL! FOR YEARS I BEEN WONDERING ~~NOPE~ NOTHING ~~


A BOY LEFT A NOTE IN MY BOX FOR A MR. DIGGER. HAS HE PICKED IT UP YET ?
NOT YET.

I'LL WAIT HERE. IF ANYONE CALLS FOR IT~ LET ME KNOW.
I CAN WATCH THE STREET FROM HERE~

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WILSON McCOY 6-22

I CAN WATCH THE STREET FROM HERE ~ IF ANYONE COMES TO THIS POST OFFICE ~~

AT THE BACK DOOR~~
PSSST~~
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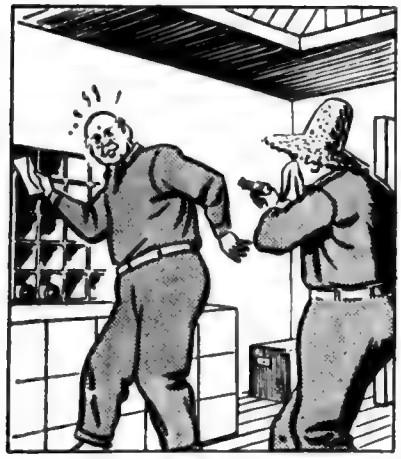
YES?~~!
THERE'S A NOTE IN BOX 7 FOR MR. DIGGER~~ I HOPE.
GET IT AND BRING IT TO ME. IF YOU LET OUT ONE PEEP, I'LL DRILL YOU.
WILSON McCOY 6-23



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TURN AROUND.

THANKS.
WILSON McCOY 6-24
UH~~

SO FAR~~ SO GOOD!

NO SIGN OF ANYONE YET.
WHAT IS IT, DEVIL ?

OH, CLERK~~ ?
WILSON McCOY 6-25
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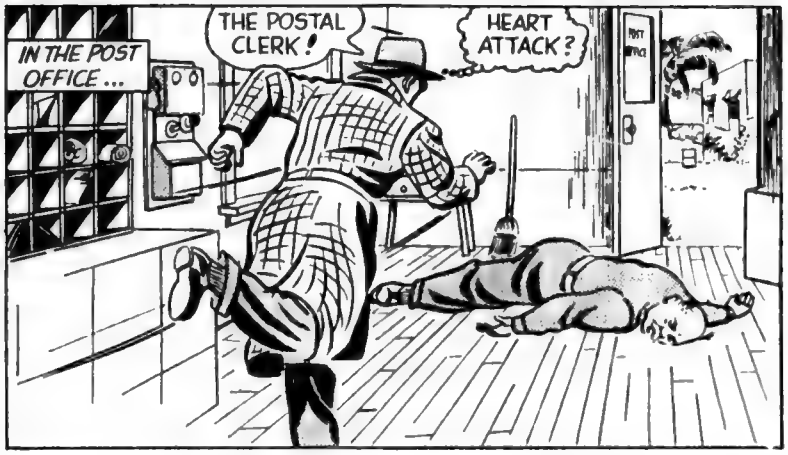
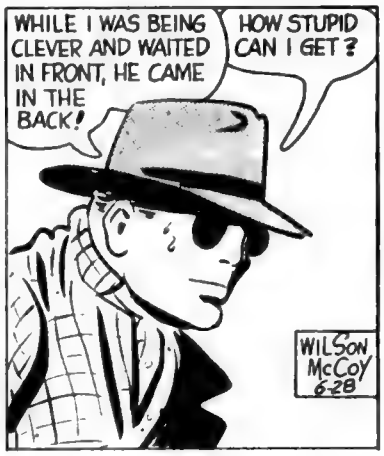
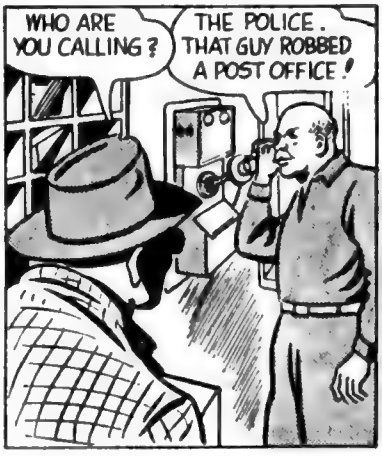

IN THE POST OFFICE...
THE POSTAL CLERK!
HEART ATTACK?
POST OFFICE

WHAT HAPPENED? DID YOU FAINT?
UH—MY HEAD. FAINT—NOTHING! MR. DIGGER CAME FOR YOUR LETTER!
WILSON McCOY 6-27

DIGGER—WAS HERE? NO SIGN OF ANYONE—!
POST OFFICE

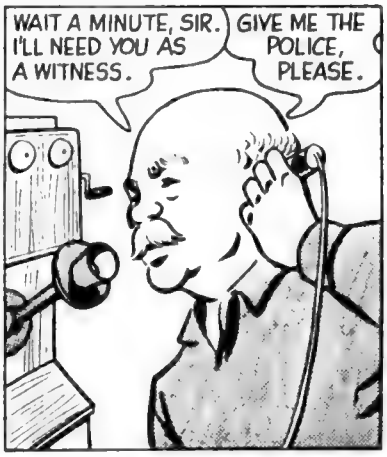
WHAT DID HE LOOK LIKE?
I COULDN'T TELL. HE HELD A HANDKERCHIEF IN FRONT OF HIS FACE.


WHILE I WAS BEING CLEVER AND WAITED IN FRONT, HE CAME IN THE BACK!
HOW STUPID CAN I GET?
WILSON McCOY 6-28


WHO ARE YOU CALLING?
THE POLICE. THAT GUY ROBBED A POST OFFICE!

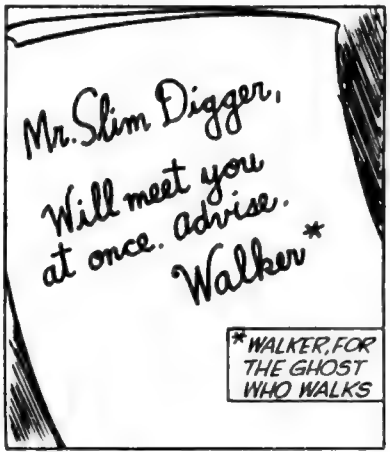
I CAN HANDLE THIS MYSELF.
BUT I GOT TO REPORT THIS. IT'S A FEDERAL OFFENSE!

HE CAME—FOR A MESSAGE IN MY BOX. I'LL MAKE NO COMPLAINT.
YOU? HE HIT ME ON THE HEAD!


WAIT A MINUTE, SIR. I'LL NEED YOU AS A WITNESS.
GIVE ME THE POLICE, PLEASE.

HELLO—
SIR—? HEY— HE'S GONE!
POST OFFICE
WILSON McCOY 6-29

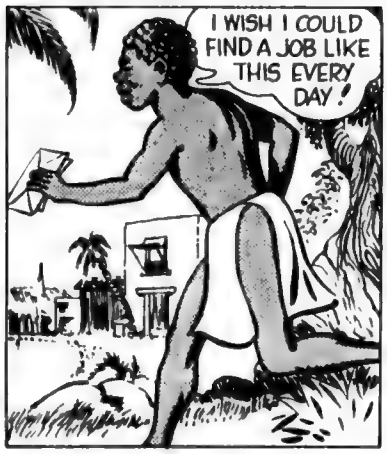
WAS THERE A LETTER FROM WALKER?
YES!


Mr. Slim Digger,
Will meet you at once. advise.
Walker*
*WALKER, FOR THE GHOST WHO WALKS

ANYBODY SEE YOU, DIGGER?
NAW. I WENT IN THE BACK WAY
YOU'RE LUCKY, MISS. HE LOVES YOU. GIVING UP A MILLION FOR A DAME. MUST HAVE ROCKS IN HIS HEAD.
THANK YOU.
WILSON McCOY 6-30

HOW'S THAT?
NEAT.
Walker. Meet us at 2nd fork, Woods road, midnight. Bring loot. No cops or no girl. Slim Digger

KID, TAKE THIS LETTER TO THE POST OFFICE. HERE'S A BUCK. QUICK.
A BUCK!


I WISH I COULD FIND A JOB LIKE THIS EVERY DAY!

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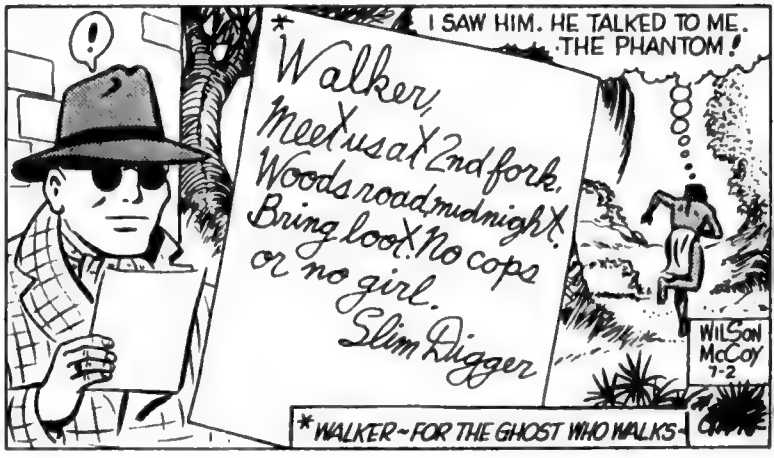
WILSON McCOY 7-1

I THOUGHT THEY'D SEND A MESSAGE THIS WAY.
~THE MAN PAID ME TO TAKE IT TO THE POST OFFICE!

IT'LL BE ALL RIGHT, SON. IT'S FOR ME.
GHOST ~~ WHO ~ WALKS!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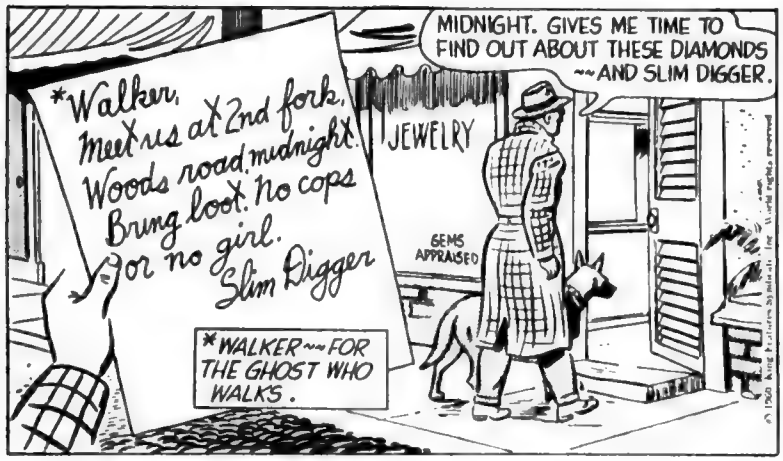
*Walker, Meet us at 2nd fork, Woods road, midnight. Bring loot. No cops or no girl. Slim Digger
I SAW HIM. HE TALKED TO ME. THE PHANTOM!
WILSON McCOY 7-2
*WALKER ~ FOR THE GHOST WHO WALKS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*WALKER ~~ FOR THE GHOST WHO WALKS.
MIDNIGHT. GIVES ME TIME TO FIND OUT ABOUT THESE DIAMONDS ~~ AND SLIM DIGGER.
JEWELRY
GEMS APPRAISED

MAYBE A HALF ~~ MAYBE A MILLION ~ DEPENDING ON QUALITY! ER ~~ WHERE'D YOU GET THEM, MISTER?
FROM A CHIMPANZEE.

AND THAT'S THE TRUTH. FOFO THE MAILMAN BROUGHT THEM TO ME.
WILSON McCOY 7-4
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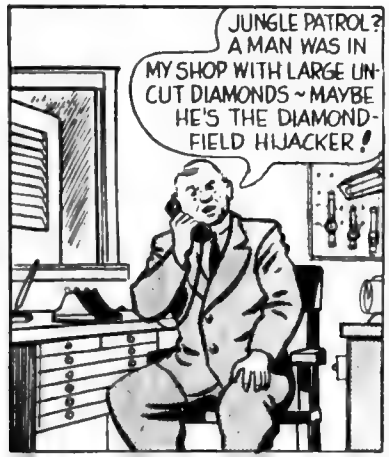

JUNGLE PATROL? A MAN WAS IN MY SHOP WITH LARGE UNCUT DIAMONDS ~ MAYBE HE'S THE DIAMOND-FIELD HIJACKER!

TALL, STRONG FELLOW. DEEP VOICE. DIDN'T SEE MUCH OF HIS FACE. NO ~~ ONLY ONE MAN ~~

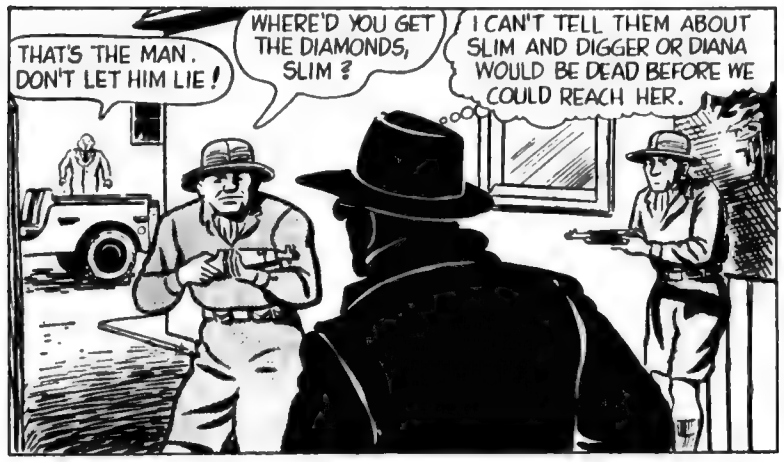
FROM THAT DESCRIPTION, IT SOUNDS MORE LIKE THE ONE CALLED SLIM.
DON'T WORRY ~~ I'LL BE CAREFUL. I KNOW THEY'RE KILLERS!

SO ~~ SLIM DIGGER IS TWO MEN. DIAMOND HIJACKERS. KILLERS.
AND THEY'VE GOT DIANA!
WILSON McCOY 7-5

THAT'S HIM! CAREFUL, HE'S A KILLER!

DON'T TRY TO RUN!
!

THE PHANTOM IS THE UNKNOWN COMMANDER OF THE JUNGLE PATROL!
WE'RE TOLD YOU'VE GOT SOME UNCUT DIAMONDS.
WE'LL HAVE TO ASK WHERE YOU GOT THEM.
THIS IS FUNNY. MY OWN PATROLMEN TRYING TO ARREST ME.
WILSON McCOY 7-6

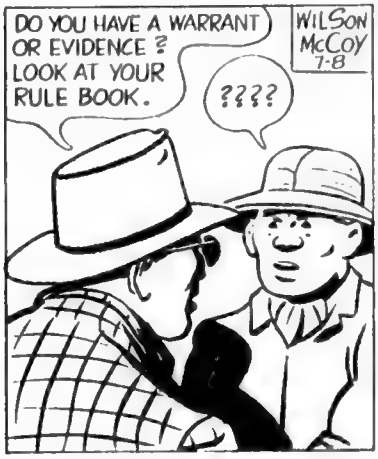

THAT'S THE MAN. DON'T LET HIM LIE!
WHERE'D YOU GET THE DIAMONDS, SLIM?
I CAN'T TELL THEM ABOUT SLIM AND DIGGER OR DIANA WOULD BE DEAD BEFORE WE COULD REACH HER.

MY NAME'S NOT SLIM. I GOT THEM BY MISTAKE. ORIGINALLY, I BELIEVE THEY WERE STOLEN.
!
HAND 'EM OVER!
WILSON McCOY 7-7

NO. I'LL RETURN THEM TO THE RIGHTFUL OWNERS TOMORROW. I NEED THEM TODAY.
~~ NOW I'VE HEARD EVERYTHING!

HE'LL RETURN THE STOLEN DIAMONDS TOMORROW BECAUSE HE NEEDS THEM TODAY!
YOU'RE A COOL ONE. YOU'RE COMING TO HEADQUARTERS.
MY OWN PATROLMEN. I MUST HANDLE THEM CAREFULLY.

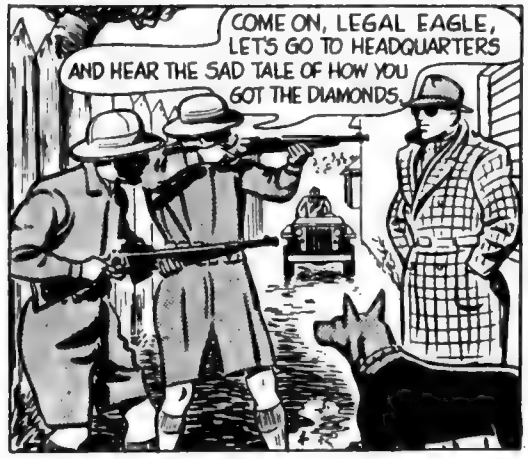
I SAID THE DIAMONDS WERE STOLEN ~~NOT THAT I STOLE THEM. WHAT RIGHT HAVE YOU TO ARREST ME~?


DO YOU HAVE A WARRANT OR EVIDENCE? LOOK AT YOUR RULE BOOK.
????
WILSON McCOY 7-8

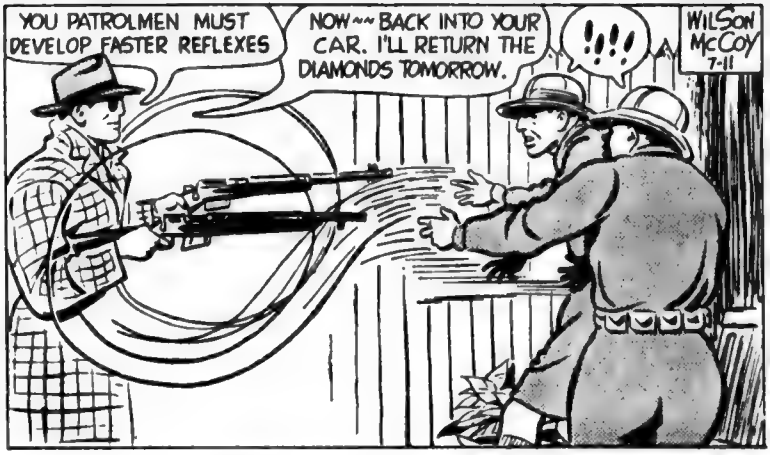
UNKNOWN TO THE JUNGLE PATROLMEN, THEY'RE TRYING TO ARREST THEIR OWN COMMANDER!
SAY, ARE YOU A LAWYER? WHAT DO YOU MEAN, WE CAN'T ARREST YOU?
NO WITNESSES, NO EVIDENCE, NO WARRANT. LOOK IN YOUR RULE BOOK.
?

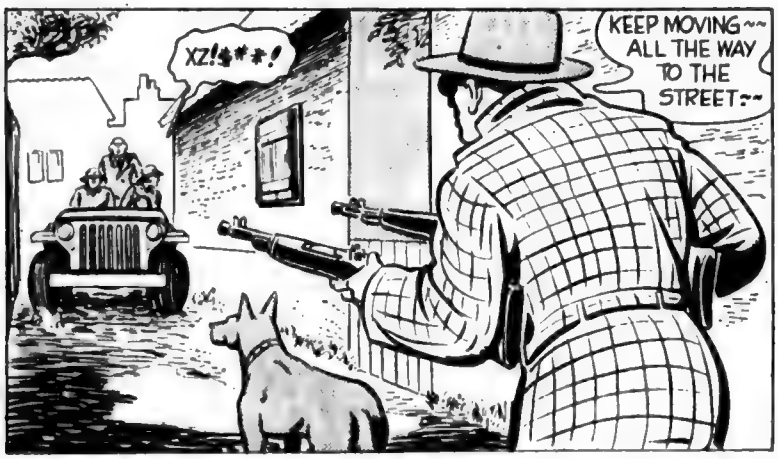
WARRANTS~~ WITNESSES~~ LOOK~~
~ON REASONABLE SUSPICION CAN DETAIN SUSPECT FOR INVESTIGATION ~ THAT'S IT!
WILSON McCOY 7-9

WE'RE DETAINING YOU, WISE GUY.
THEY SHOULD KNOW THAT RULE BY HEART. I'LL SEND THE COLONEL AN ORDER FOR MORE CLASSES~


COME ON, LEGAL EAGLE, LET'S GO TO HEADQUARTERS AND HEAR THE SAD TALE OF HOW YOU GOT THE DIAMONDS.

"COMPARED TO THE PHANTOM, LIGHTNING IS SLOW ~~"
- OLD JUNGLE SAYING.


YOU PATROLMEN MUST DEVELOP FASTER REFLEXES
NOW ~~ BACK INTO YOUR CAR. I'LL RETURN THE DIAMONDS TOMORROW.
!!!!
WILSON McCOY 7-11


XZ!$*#!
KEEP MOVING ~~ ALL THE WAY TO THE STREET ~~

SCAT, DEVIL! I'LL WHISTLE FOR YOU.

BACK AFTER THAT XZ!$*#!
WILSON McCOY 7-12

BLAST! CAN'T SHOOT THESE UNTIL WE CAN CLEAN THEM OUT.

AFTER HIM!
LIKE FINDING A NEEDLE IN A HAYSTACK.

A FEW HOURS LATER~
NO SIGN OF HIM. AN UNARMED GUY ~~ DISARMS US ~~ TWO JUNGLE PATROLMEN!
WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BE TRAINED TO HANDLE ARMED GUYS LIKE THAT. HOW CAN WE REPORT THIS?
WILSON McCOY 7-13

CAN WE TELL HQ AN UNARMED MAN DISARMED BOTH OF US?
GOT TO. IF WE DON'T, THE JEWELER WILL.

HOW DID IT HAPPEN SO FAST? I DIDN'T EVEN SEE HIS HANDS MOVE!
PATROLMEN. HMM ~~

I MUST SEND A NOTE TO THE COLONEL TO TAKE THOSE BOYS OFF THE HOOK. ALSO AN ORDER ~~

~TO START REFRESHER COURSES IN HAND-TO-HAND COMBAT.
NOW ~~ FOR DIANA ~~
WILSON McCOY 7-14

SORRY TO INCONVENIENCE YOU, MISS PALMER, LIKE THEY SAY. WE GOTTA MEET YOUR BOY FRIEND.
WE WANT TO BE SURE YOU STAY PUT. DON'T WORRY. THIS HANDKERCHIEF'S CLEAN.

WE'LL WATCH AND SEE IF THIS GUY COMES ALONE. THEN YOU'LL GO OUT TO MEET HIM.
I'LL STAY HID AND COVER YOU WITH A RIFLE.
WILSON McCOY 7-15

YEAH? I'LL STAY HID AND COVER YOU WITH A RIFLE.
OKAY. WE GOT FIFTEEN MINUTES TO GO BEFORE MIDNIGHT. LET'S HURRY.

WHAT IF WALKER* DOESN'T SHOW?
*WALKER ~ FOR GHOST WHO WALKS
HE WILL. WE GOT HIS GIRL. FIVE MINUTES TO MIDNIGHT.

IF MORE THAN ONE COMES, WE FADE FAST.
BUT IF HE DON'T COME ~ WHAT ABOUT THE GIRL?

LAME-BRAIN, THE GIRL KNOWS US TOO WELL. EVEN AFTER WE GET THE ROCKS, SHE'S GOTTA GO ~~
~AND HER BOY FRIEND TOO~~

SHH ~ ALMOST MIDNIGHT~~
WILSON McCOY 7-16

ALMOST MIDNIGHT. WAIT HERE AND KEEP ME COVERED, SLIM. I'LL BE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE ROAD.

MIDNIGHT~~AND THE DIAMOND THIEVES WAIT FOR "MR. WALKER."

WILSON McCOY 7-18

FIVE MINUTES AFTER TWELVE. WHERE IS THIS WALKER GUY? AFRAID TO COME?

GOSH~~NOT A SOUND, EXCEPT CRICKETS ~ WHAT IF THE WALKER GUY DOESN'T SHOW UP?

WHAT'S THAT UP THERE? ~A SQUIRREL~~
GLURG
WILSON McCOY 7-19

ONE O'CLOCK~~ BEEN WAITING AN HOUR. THAT WALKER GUY'S NOT COMING~~ DECIDED TO KEEP OUR DIAMONDS INSTEAD OF HIS GIRL!
SLIM~

SLIM~~LOOKS LIKE HE'S NOT COMING. SLIM~~

SLIM! WHAT HAPPENED~~?

KNOCKED OUT~~ COLD! WHAT'S THAT~~ SKULL MARK~~ ON HIS JAW~~?
WILSON McCOY 7-20

SKULL MARK ON HIS JAW~~ WHO COULDA DONE IT?-I WAS ACROSS THE ROAD~~DIDN'T HEAR A THING~~ HIS RIFLE'S GONE~~

HE LOOKS ABOUT WILDLY~~THERE IS NO SOUND EXCEPT THE CRICKETS~~

WE'LL LET HIM LEAD US TO DIANA.
WILSON McCOY 7-21

TERRIFIED, DIGGER RUNS AS IF PURSUED BY DEMONS~

NOT A SOUND~~NO ONE FOLLOWING~

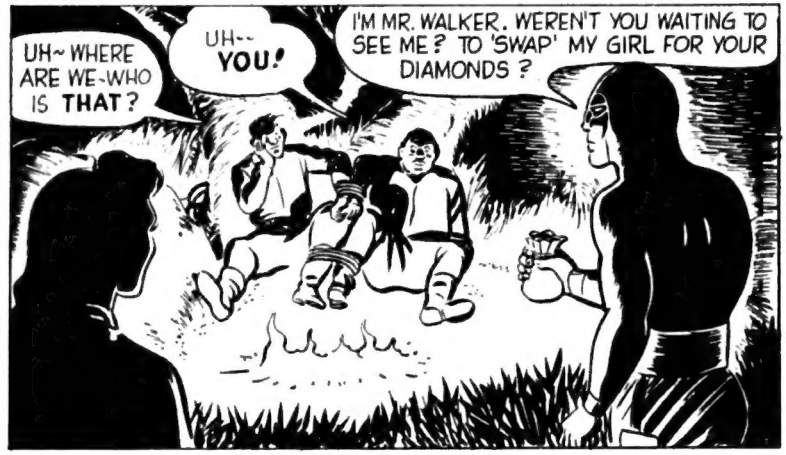
!
YOUR BOY FRIEND, MR. WALKER, DIDN'T SHOW~~ BUT SOMEBODY~~ OR SOMETHING ELSE~~DID!
SOMETHING KNOCKED OUT SLIM~~ LEFT A SKULL MARK ON HIS JAW!
WILSON McCOY 7-22

SOMEBODY KNOCKED OUT SLIM~~LEFT A SKULL MARK ON HIS JAW~~! HOW? I DIDN'T HEAR A THING~~
DO YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THAT~~SKULL MARK?
I THINK SO. YOU SAY YOU DIDN'T SEE MR. WALKER?

EVIDENTLY SLIM DID SEE HIM.
WALKER DID IT? WHAT'S THAT SKULL MARK GOT TO DO WITH YOUR BOY FRIEND?

I'M NOT CERTAIN. HE LEAVES IT~~ LIKE A CALLING CARD.
!
WILSON McCOY 7-23
CONT'D.

YOU SHOULD HAVE FOUND OUT MORE ABOUT MY 'BOY FRIEND' BEFORE YOU GOT MIXED UP WITH HIM.
YEAH?
UNLESS HE COMES ACROSS WITH MY DIAMONDS, HE'LL NEVER SEE YOU AGAIN ~~ SKULL MARK OR NOT ~~
WILSON McCOY 7-25
AND WHAT'S MORE ~ UH ~
UMPH ~
THE PHANTOM OPENS THE LOCKED DOOR ~
WHO ~~ ARE ~~ UH ~
YOU SHOULD KNOW, DIGGER.
MISS PALMER, I BELIEVE. WHAT A SURPRISE. WHAT BRINGS YOU HERE?
~ DARLING ~~ I THOUGHT YOU'D NEVER GET HERE!
WILSON McCOY 7-26
GEE, DARLING, SOMETIMES YOU CAN BE AWFULLY ROUGH.
THAT DIGGER'S A COLD-BLOODED MURDERER ~~ SO IS THE OTHER ONE ~~
THAT'S WHY I HAD TO BE SO CAREFUL IN REACHING YOU. THEY'D STOP AT NOTHING ~~
I'M STIFF.
HAVEN'T YOU FORGOTTEN SOMETHING?
?
I DIDN'T FORGET. I WAS WAITING FOR THE RIGHT TIME.
NO TIME LIKE THE PRESENT.
WILSON McCOY 7-27
THEY KILLED A MINER AND STOLE SOME UNCUT DIAMONDS. WHEN THE FIELD GUARDS FOUND THEM, THEY HID THE DIAMONDS.
THEY HID THE DIAMONDS IN THE MONKEY MAILMAN'S POUCH? WHAT ON EARTH IS THAT?
YOU'LL SEE. HERE'S THE OTHER ONE.
WHEN YOUR TELEGRAM CAME, THEY STOLE IT FROM THE OTHER MONKEY MAIL POUCH ~ THAT'S HOW THEY KNEW YOU WERE COMING.
I'M STILL CONFUSED. WHAT IS A MONKEY MAILMAN?
HE CARRIES THOSE TWO AS IF THEY WERE LITTLE PARCELS!
WILSON McCOY 7-28


UH~ WHERE ARE WE-WHO IS THAT?
UH-- YOU!
I'M MR. WALKER. WEREN'T YOU WAITING TO SEE ME? TO 'SWAP' MY GIRL FOR YOUR DIAMONDS?

NO SWAP. YOU AND THE DIAMONDS WILL BOTH GO TO THE JUNGLE PATROL. THEY'LL HANDLE IT FROM THERE ON.

HERE'S A FULL CONFESSION. ROBBERY, MURDER OF THE MINER ~~ ATTEMPTED MURDER OF THE TRADER.
WILSON McCOY 7-29
YOU WILL BOTH SIGN.

YOU TWO JUNGLE PATROLMEN, FULLY ARMED, LET AN UNARMED CIVILIAN DISARM YOU? HOW?
WE DON'T KNOW, SIR.

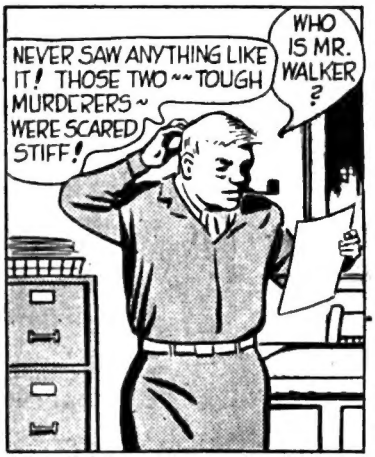
BUT HE SAID HE'D RETURN THE DIAMONDS ~~ HE WAS JUST BORROWING THEM.
WELL, ISN'T THAT NICE! DID YOU THANK HIM?

MARCH TO PATROL HEADQUARTERS AND GIVE YOURSELVES UP. I'LL BE WATCHING. THEY'LL GIVE YOU A LEGAL TRIAL ~~
IF YOU TRY TO BREAK AWAY, I'LL GET YOU. THEN THERE'LL BE NO TRIAL. UNDERSTAND?
UH~HUH.
WILSON McCOY 7-30

TWO JUNGLE PATROLMEN LET A CIVILIAN DISARM THEM ~~ WALK OFF WITH STOLEN DIAMONDS.
GULP

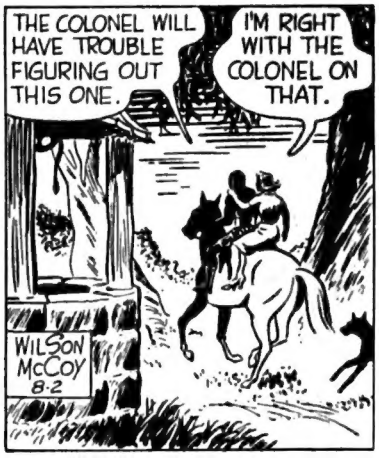
WE'VE COME TO GIVE OURSELVES UP~~
?

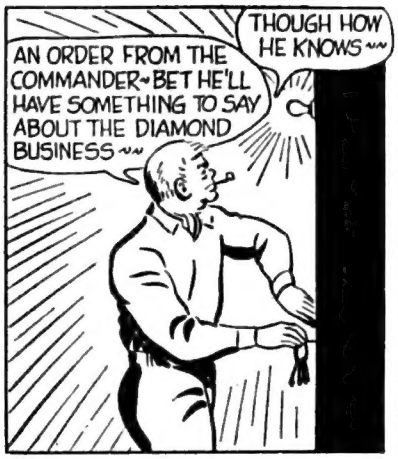
OF ALL THE ~ WHO SENT YOU HERE?
MR. WALKER*~ WHOEVER THAT IS. THIS PAPER'S A CONFESSION. WE SIGNED IT. HE SAID YOU SHOULD READ IT.
I~~UH~HAVE THE DIAMONDS IN THIS SACK.
*MR. WALKER, FOR THE GHOST WHO WALKS.
WILSON McCOY 8-1


NEVER SAW ANYTHING LIKE IT! THOSE TWO ~~ TOUGH MURDERERS ~ WERE SCARED STIFF!
WHO IS MR. WALKER?

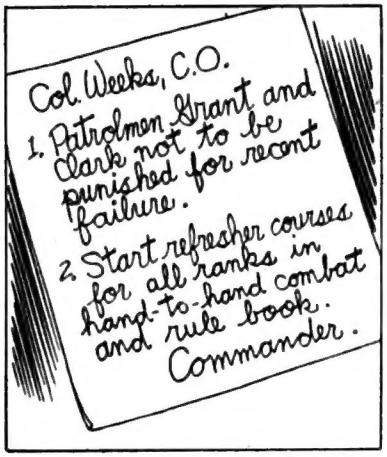
WAIT HERE A MOMENT, DIANA. I WANT TO LEAVE A NOTE FOR THE COLONEL.

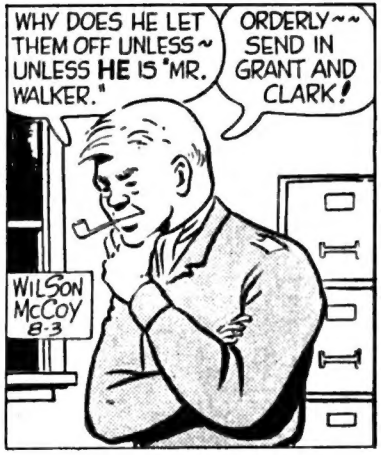
"MR. WALKER"~ THEIR UNKNOWN COMMANDER~ LEAVES AN ORDER FOR THE JUNGLE PATROL ~~


THE COLONEL WILL HAVE TROUBLE FIGURING OUT THIS ONE.
I'M RIGHT WITH THE COLONEL ON THAT.
WILSON McCOY 8-2


AN ORDER FROM THE COMMANDER~BET HE'LL HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY ABOUT THE DIAMOND BUSINESS~~
THOUGH HOW HE KNOWS~~

~~I'LL NEVER KNOW. FOR THIRTY YEARS, I'VE ASKED MYSELF ~~ HOW DO THESE ORDERS GET HERE~?
WHO IS HE?


Col. Weeks, C.O.
1. Patrolmen Grant and Clark not to be punished for recent failure.
2. Start refresher courses for all ranks in hand-to-hand combat and rule book.
Commander.


WHY DOES HE LET THEM OFF UNLESS~ UNLESS HE IS "MR. WALKER."
ORDERLY~~ SEND IN GRANT AND CLARK!
WILSON McCOY 8-3

THIS CIVILIAN WHO DISARMED YOU. GET A GOOD LOOK AT HIM?
COULDN'T SEE HIS FACE, SIR. WAS KINDA COVERED.
THAT'S RIGHT, SIR.
Col. Weeks J.P.

BY THE WAY, YOU'LL RECEIVE NO DEMERITS ON YOUR RECORDS. THAT'S ALL. DISMISSED.
THANK YOU, SIR!

NATURALLY~HE DIDN'T LET THEM SEE HIM. THEY ALMOST ARRESTED THEIR OWN COMMANDER.
COMMANDER~~ MR. WALKER~~ WONDER WHO ELSE HE IS!

"THE PHANTOM IS MANY MEN~~" OLD JUNGLE SAYING.
WILSON McCOY 8-4

WE FORGOT SOMETHING. MY LUGGAGE AT THE SHACK!
DON'T WORRY. I'LL HAVE IT BROUGHT BY RELAY. I HAVE TO STOP OFF AT THIS TRADING POST FOR A MINUTE.

I FOUND THE MEN WHO ROBBED YOU. THE LAW HAS THEM. HERE'S YOUR MONEY. YOUR CAR'LL BE RETURNED.
GOLLY~~ THANKS!
WILSON McCOY 8-5

HE MAKES EVERYTHING LOOK SO EASY! I DON'T KNOW HOW HE DOES IT.
PHANTOM HAS MAGIC. IS GHOST WHO WALKS.

WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO TELL ME ABOUT THE MONKEY MAIL?~LOOK AT THAT! WHY~~ IT'S A MONKEY WITH A POUCH ON ITS BACK!
ACTUALLY A CHIMP. A MESSAGE FOR ME? FOFO, COME HERE!
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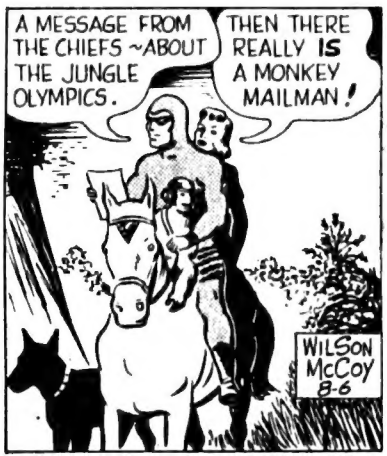
A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEFS ~ABOUT THE JUNGLE OLYMPICS.
THEN THERE REALLY IS A MONKEY MAILMAN!
WILSON McCOY 8-6

~THE DEEP WOODS~ THE PYGMIES ~ DEVIL AND HERO~I'VE MISSED THEM ALL!
WELCOME HOME, DIANA.
NEXT WEEK: NEW ADVENTURE